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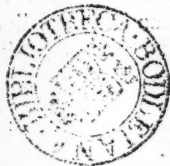
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TO THE
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That lively Monument of
universal Learning and
Wisdom, and to the Mu-
ses A truely Noble and
most famous *Mæcenas*,

HENRY PIERREPOINT,

*Marquess of Dorchester, Earl of Kingstone,
Viscount Newark, &c.*

*Increase of honour and happiness here, and a
Crown of Glory hereafter.*

MY LORD,

Such is that great esteem
and universal fame (a-
mongst the learned) of your
a Honours

(signed)

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Honours most rare accomplishments in (and favour to) the sublime Sciences, and the most occult mysteries of nature (in-
somuch that posterity will certainly account your Honour some *Rudolphus* or *Alphonsus* of our English hemisphere;) that notwithstanding my own indignity, or of these my slender performances, (for which I might otherwise justly blush at this my presumption, and the rather for that I am altogether a stranger, and having assum'd this attempt without your Honours consent and know-

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knowledge;) I am yet imboldened to affix on your Honour this Dedication, and commit this, the first-fruits of my Pen, to your Honourable protection; Ambitious of nothing more, than what the World shall deem I want of Learning, or Elegancy of Language, I shall regain by the worth of a matchless Patron.

My Lord, of the excellency, verity and benefit of this Noble Science in general, I presume your Honour is sufficiently satisfied, notwithstanding
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(through the great abuse of many ignorant professors, and the grosse mistakes by the not examining, but too confidently assenting to erroneous principles) of others, though more eminent; the enemies of Astrologie have taken great advantage maliciously to enveigh against it; the refutations of either of which I shal not trouble your Honours patience with at present, leaving it to a more extensive labour.

The particular subject of this ensuing discourse; My Lord, is most notable, as having such concurrence with
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former eminent configurations of which I hope your Honour will be satisfied in the perusal, as being handled from most demonstrative, principles and although by the negligence of some, together with other inconveniences, there hath been some obstruction e're it could be made publick, so that some notable transactions have already happened, yet are there others as considerable to ensue, e're the effects be at a period, which with other matters of concernment in these sublime studies, I presume may some-

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what merit your Honours serious meditation.

To avoid prolixity; May it therefore please your Honour as favourably to accept this my Dedication, as curteously to pardon my presumption, for either of which I shall depend upon your Honours so famously known Dignity and Humanity; committing you to the tuition of the great Architect, and subscribe my self,

MY LORD,

*As a Reall Honourer of you, and those
incomparable vertues your Honour
is so plentifully endowed with, most
humbly devoted to your service,*

RICHARD EDLIN.

TO
THE IUDICIOUS
AND
IMPARTIAL READER.



After some years serious Inquisition in (from a naturall inclination I had) to the Principles of this most Excellent study, providence having brought me to a publique profession thereof, & employment in the more particular partes, my affections were very much taken up with the more Generall; and fixing my thoughts upon those notable transactions that I conceived might be portended by this Notable Conjunction of Saturn and Mars, I had collected some notes of my observations, some moneths before the Conjunction happened, but through some cross transactions in my externall affayres, I could not so suddenly prosecute my intentions towards the publication, as I thought to have done, or indeed the subject it self requiring, yet notwithstanding (through some other inconveniences happening since the Copy was delivered to the press

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press &c. it hath been till this time prohibited from the view of the world and many things have been already Transacted; Notably verifying the predictions, (as you may perceive) yet I assure you that I had long since performed it, viz. before Christmas last, (as most who are Artists, with whom I am acquainted, can testify,) and the discourse of the Systeme of the world was Transcribed by the middle of January; And it is but a Transcription from that which Mr. Jer. Shakerly (who was the Authour) had formerly written, who being by the providence of God taken from this Earthly Tabernacle, and the thing it self almost lost, it being a very Ingenious discourse, and unwilling it should dy with its authour, I thought good to revise, that I might gratify my Readers with something of Generall Concernment, knowing my own would be somewhat late; Thereasons for which (as before) I thought good to acquaint you, lest it should be thought, I should take the advantage of the times for my predictions, as some have suspected of others.

However there are yet as Notable Transactions to ensue, ere the Effects be ended, that I hope may satisfy the Judicious.

To the Reader.

I had thought also to have collected the famous Morinus his vindication of Astrology, in Answer to severall unskilfull Antagonists, (though perhaps otherwise learned Enough) as an Appendix to the book, there being lately a foolish thing in print of Gassendu's, translated by a nameless Author, (though well enough known) written against the Art; but it being too tedious, for our short time and room, I onely at present contented my self with an answer to some ridiculous expressions, observed by an Eminent professour in this Science, who having had thoughts of publishing it with a work of his own, suddenly to come forth, but being prevented communicated it to me, the which I have as a Poscript added to the end of the book; And indeed nothing hath given more occasion to the Enemies of Astrology, so maliciously to inveigh against it, than the frequent mistakes of some, (and the great abuse of other) professours of this Science: For the Ancients prescribing such rules as they were more lead to by fancy than experience, Astronomy being in those times so deficient whosoever trusts their Judgments without due examination, must needs be subject to the like Errors.

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But that which is the most gross abuse, and that which no Judicious man can express without great detestation, is the perfidious practises of such who for lucre, having scarce learned there Hornbook viz. only gotten some few termes of Art, become Masters and publique professours thereof; I could instance in severall about this City; I shall onely give you the Character breisfly of one, whose continuall impudency is scarce to be parrelleld, who after his many shifts from place to place is now become an Inhabitant in White-crofs Alley in Morefields; and not to mention his base practises in his employments, or his counterfeiting himself a Minister, &c. for a benefice in the Country, he must needs be a student in Astrology, pretending himself that he was formerly a Phisitian; and to begin his impudent practise, that very day of his Contract to learn the Art; he publicly professed himself a Phisitian and an Astrologer; and hath ever since, to such as know him not, boasted of his Abillities, sometimes that he is an Oxford or a Cambridg Scholler, can do such things as none can do the like, he is writing of a Book, &c. and it is but since Midsummer or thereabouts he became

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became a student, and to my knowledg at this time cannot truly erect a figure, and is wholly Ignorant of the Principles of Judgment; there are divers others very illiterate, that are very perfidious in their praesises, of whom you shall have a more particular Anatomy both of him and the rest ere long be. This I say chiefly gives occasion to the sleighting of the Art, and to have malicious aspersions cast upon it; though nothing to the purpose; but I cannot here stand to rehearse any more of these Absurdities.

Therefore Courteous Reader let me intreat you to correct what Errours you perceive either of the pen or press, and excuse my imperfections; So shall you oblige him who is.

Your Servant Richard Edlin.

New buildings in Sugar
Loaf Court at the low-
er end of Tenter Alley
nere little More-fields.

To the truly ingenious my Learned and much esteemed
friend Mr. Richard Edlin on his *Observationes Astrolo-*
gicae.

The famous Ancients variously present,
Those sublime Sciences whilst wits invent
New methods; but some more nice than wise
Attempt (though vainly) to monopolize,
The sacred knowledge of celestial Arts,
Unto themselves, whilst the more serene parts
Lyes hid from their weak eyes who trace tradition,
In her erronious path's of supposition;
Whilst some whose purer souls, by purer light,
See natures sacred truths, (hid from the sight
Of old mistaken fancies) which clearly proves,
The Earth about its glorious Center moves,
At which clear truth, who stumbles, I admit
His shines a crack, to teach his Crown more wit;
And whilst some fools, up to the Heavens aspire,
In their vain thoughts like Icarus 'tis the fire
That clipt his waxen wings, is their deserts,
Who knowing nothing, prate and boast of Arts;
And of the stars effects and force, but now,
Our solid Author learnedly shews how,
Their occult motions, Aspects, and Position,
Predicts to us the Universe condition;
In each respect of want or plenty, war or peace,
And their effects, when operate, when cease;
He builds no Babel of an itching brain,
Nor carps at truth, its purity to stain:
But truly ingenious, learnedly refines
Receiv'd mistakes, informs these dubious times,
Of what the stars predict, come then admire
With me what mov'd his fancy to aspire
To this A herical height? Sure a sublime
Inspiring power enrich't his wit divine:

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That thus can penetrate th' ambiguous parts,
And blind Meanders of such sacred Arts,
As these cœlestial are, 'tis such serene eyes,
Only can search their deep profundities
Like his: I then conclude Learning and Art
'S inthron'd in every liniment and part
Of him, and what b' hath writ, read then and see,
Whether Ptolomy or he more learned be.

Jo. Deacon, Astrolo-Med.

An Achrostick by the same.

Reason and Art affirm, though fools deny,
Influence and power of pure Astrologie:
Crown then his head, who hath fought Arts prize,
He lives for ever, whose honour never dies.
A spiring Genius could no meaner sphear,
Retain thy fancy to imploy it here?
D ar'st thou climb fiery Mars his Orb, nay higher,
E say old Saturns too? Ah brave desire,
Disdaining opposition, such boldnesse merits
Loves Lawreall wreaths, this thou inherits;
It's then enough, thy Learning, Monument and fame
N e're dies, but lives resplended in thy name.

Jo. Deacon.

Uc supra.

To his industrious friend Mr. Richard Edlin,
on his *Observationes Astrologicae*.

Call Ptolomy again! that he may see
How much is added to Astrologie
In this our Age; let Learned Hermes rise
From his Pale Urne, and with him view the skyes;
Where both may find fresh matter [far more true,
Than all that former Ages ever knew;]
That can assist the Studies of each one,
To make his second Centiloquium.
But if that be too painfull, let them look
With their quick eyes over this little book;
There shall they see their spirits to revive
With greater lustre, than when first alive;
Although it be in bulk and body small,
'Tis truly *μνησ-μνησ* Cosmical;
For it relates the greater Worlds decrees,
And warns the lesser of its miseries:
And could you have done more [Great Hero's!] then
Our Author here hath by his dextrous Pen?
If not then on his head pray set the bayes,
For's pains hath purchas'd an immortal praise.
Had'st thou appeared in a gratefull age,
With this choise treasure, then each single page
That is therein, had merited high fame;
And fixed Trophy's to thy spreading name.
But now (alas,) the Arts a bleeding lye,
Exclaiming loudly on the cruelty

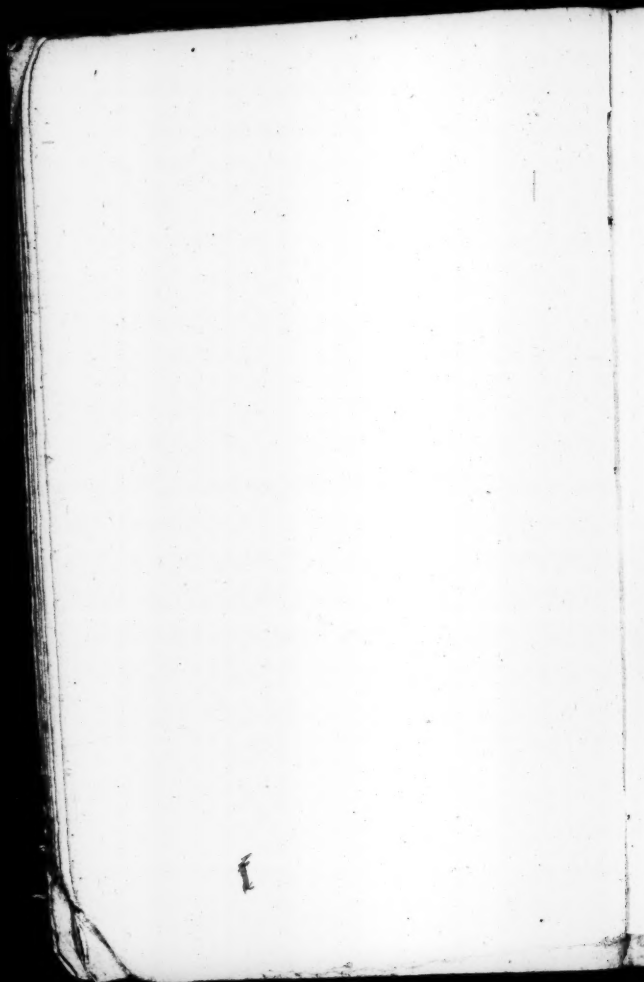
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Of blottant fame; which Tyrant-like doth raise
Each ἀπολῶ unto an Artist's praise.

If such gross ignorants chance to vilifie,
And trample on thy worthy pains and thee;
Take my advice---in silence let them pass,
The Nightingale was censur'd by the Ass.

For he his fingers shall offend o're much,
That is desirous filthy pitch to touch.

Jo. Gadburie, Φιλομαθηματικῶ





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 STROLOGICAL
 JUDGEMENT,
 OF

The Effects of the conjunction
 of *Sa'urn* and *Mars* in *Libra*
 about the 11 of *October*,
Anno, 1658.

The Preface by way of Institution.



I was a most true
 saying, Deus in-
 feriora agit, per
 superiora That
 God ruleth all
 inferiour things,
 by their superi-
 ours. By superi-
 our things, I un-
 derstand all such parts of the universe, (viz.
 every active and instrumental Agent) who
 by Influence, and Power to operate up-

on others, and by Inferiour things, all such passive objects as are subject to Mutation by such like power and influence.

Hence it is that the Generation, mutation, and Corruption of all things in this world and under Heaven, (together with those various Transactions that happen in generall, as in relation to mundane affairs, and more particularly towards Man) are caused, or at least wise presignified, by the Motions and various Configurations of the Stars, which (as Cardane hath well exprest it segm. 1 Aphor 24. *Cœlum instrumentum est, quo inferiora agit, impellit, regitque Deus*) are the instruments by which God ruleth, inforceth and bringeth all things to pass. Neither can this seeme so strange even to the most ignorant, if it be seriously considered, that by the Almighty power and wonderfull wisdom of God, there is such a correspondency, consent and harmony of one part of the universe with another, whereby such manifest operations and changes do happen and are foreseen. (though from the diversity of Causes diversity of Effects do follow, as it is the property of every naturall Agent, most powerfully and significantly to operate upon such subjects as have most sympathy with themselves) and the end of all for his Glory and the good of Man, according to
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that of the Psalmist, Psal. 8. 3, 4. verses,
When I consider the Heavens, the
Moon and the Stars which thou hast or-
dained, *What is man that thou art mind-
full of him? and the son of man that thou
visitest him?*

The consideration of these things, as they
have been the subject of meditation and stu-
dy for the most learned and judicious, in
verall parts and Ages, so were they but *whose*
seriously considered by the most Criticall and learning &
zealous Antagonists of this Art, I am Judgment
induced to believe they would not so invete- might ven-
rately inveigh against so sublime and Excel- der them
lent a Science as this is, by which the Ma- more Rati-
jesty, Power, and Wisdom of God (together with the more Occult Mysteries of the onal, than
God-Head it self) is abundantly manifest, or at least unjustly to
according to that of St. Paul. Rom. 1. ver. condemn
20. And consequently a Science that re- wise to ob-
jects greatly to his Glory, which is un- that where.
doubtedly one principal end for which the world of they are
was Created. Ignorant.

And seeing that Astrology is through
want of knowledge, objected against by some,
and slighted by others, I thought it not im-
pertinent to my present purpose to prescribe some
Necessary Institutions (to such whose ingenu-
ity induceth them first to examine and under-
stand, before they judge or censure of things)

for the better understanding of this ensuing discourse, or any other of the like Nature with humble submission to the more Learned and Iudicious of this Art, whose sober judgements (and in their wisdom) I hope will admit them favourably to construct, and candidly to censure of my imperfections.

A Brief institution to the following Discourse.

What Astrology is.

THE subject here treated of is *Astrology*; that is, the Language or Influence of the Stars, by whose motions and various configurations is manifested and fore-seen, the intents of Gods providence in the several mutations that happen in the world in general, and more particularly towards Man.

The subject of the Art,

The subject of *Astrology* are the four principal qualities (as they are derived and do proceed from the first principles of the universe) viz Heat, Cold, Dry'th and Moisture, and all things that are compounded of them.

Of the use and end.

The use and end of *Astrology*, is to discover and make manifest the *Causes* of those mutations and accidents that happen in general, as *War*, or *Peace*, *Dearth*, or *Plenty*, &c. and particularly to *Man*, as *Health*, or *Sickness*, *Riches*, *Poverty*, &c. to the end that such accidents being foreseen, we may as wise men augment the good, and divert the evil, thereby signified; according to that of *Solomon*, *Sapiens dominabitur astris*, and the 5th of *Ptolom-Centilog*. he that is skilfull may divert many effects of the *Stars*, when he knows their *Natures*, and will prepare himself before the *Event* come, & in the 8. of the same *Centilog*, a Iudicious man helps forward the *Coelestial Operations*, even as a discreet husband-man assists *Nature* in plowing and preparing the *Ground*.

Of the parts of Astrology.

The *Parts* of *Astrology* are cheisly two, viz. *Theorick* and *Practick*; the *Theoretical* part is that which by certain *Mathematicall demonstrations* and *figures*, represents to us the various *motious places*, *magnitude*, *distances*, and *proportions* one to another, with all other

phenomena's, or appearance of the *Stars*, and this distinctly is called *Astronomy*, (that is) the *Laws of the Stars*.

The practick Part.

The practick part of this *Science*, is that which from the knowledge of the afore-said motions, configurations, &c. of the *Stars*, judgeth of their effects, and this is that which most properly of it self is called *Astrology*, or the influence of the *Stars*; yet is it not entire of it self; for except their motions, aspects, &c. be truly known, it is impossible to judge any thing of their effects; and on the other side without this use, the other cannot be perfect; hence it is that *Astronomy* without *Astrology* is *useless*, and *Astrology* without *Astronomy* is *invalid*; so that *Ptolomy* said truly, he that will be skill'd in the Effects of the stars, ought in no wise to be ignorant of their several motions, passions, &c.

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Street in
his dedica-
tory Epistle
of his duple
Ephemeris
viz. he that
is deficient
in Astrono-
my shall al-
waies be
subiect to
error in the
best parts
of Astrology.

Of the Physicall Part of Astrology.

Neither can it be void of a third division, and that is *Physicall*, by which is demonstrated their *Occult* virtues and na-

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tures, and by what means they come to have such various *motions, distances, passions, &c.* From whence such variety of *Effects* do proceed; as also hereby is shew-ed by what means they differ in *quality* among themselves, by which means they produce most forcible *effects* upon some particular *objects*; but of this particular, as it hath not hitherto been sufficiently spoken to, so must I acknowledge my own *weakness*, although I am not ignorant of the most *Excellent use* and *Benefit* that would accrue from a diligent *Inquisition* into this *Study*; of which here is no place to speak.

The whole *Theoretical* part of *Astrology* would be as tedious as unnecessary here to be treated of, since it is sufficiently handled by divers authors of known *credit* and *ability*, as *Ticho Brahe*, *Io. Kepler*, the learned *Bullialdus*, and among the rest our Country-man *Mr. Vincent. VVing* in his *Harmonicon Celeste* and his *Astronomia Instaurata*, to which I more particularly refer my Reader, and shall proceed to what is necessary to my present purpose.

Astrology I have told you is the influence of the Stars; of which you must know some are termed *Fixed*, others *Wandering*.
Of

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Of the fixed Stars.

The fixed *Stars* are those that are placed in their severall *Constellations* or *Asterismes*, having equall distances, at all times one from another: Their latitude being alwaies the same, and by the anticipation of the *Æquinoxes*, seeme to have onely a slow motion in *Longitude*; viz. 50. seconds annually, and onely 1 Degree-23. 20 in 100 years.

A constellation is a certain number of fixed *Stars* collected into a certain form, either for that the *Stars* in those places are of the nature of that Creature in which they are placed, (according to the opinion of some) or because they make the form of such *Creatures*.

Of those *Constellations* there are these three divisions, viz.

Zodiacall	}	Constellations.
Northern		
Southern		

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The most principall of these are those termed Zodiacall, because they are placed upon that great Circle of the Sphere so called.

Circle of the Spheer, containing 12 degrees latitude, which degrees are allotted generally for the wandering Stars of which in the sequell They

They are also called *signs*, because from them is measured in *Longitude* the places of all the *Stars*, Whether *fixed* or *wandering*, hence any *Star* is said to be in such a degree, &c. of such a *sign*.

The *Northern* and *Southern Constellations* are so termed, because they are placed either *North* or *South* of those in the *Zodiac*; and the further *North* or *South* they decline or are placed from this *circle*, they are of the *Less* consideration in *Astrologickall Judgements*.

And as the difference is in the severall constellations themselves, so is it likewise in the fixed *stars* therein placed, and this difference ariseth either in respect of *magnitude* or *place*.

1. In respect of *magnitude*, and to this purpose the ancients have distinguished them into six, of which those of the first and second *magnitude* are most *considerable*, then the third, then the fourth, &c.

2. They are considered in respect of *place*, so that those that are placed in the *Zodiac*, and *nearest* to the middle thereof; (there being a line called *Via solis*, and the *Ecliptick*, which is imagined to be placed in the middle of that great circle) are of cheifest signification, yet not rejecting such as are *Verticall* in position in respect

respect of *time* and *place*; thus much may suffice for a general explanation of the *fixed Stars*, &c.

Of the wandering Stars in generall.

The *wandering Stars* are those commonly termed *Planets* *ab Errando* from *wandering* (to and fro in their severall *spheres* in which they were placed at their *Creation*.)

They are said to be wandering in respect of their *motion*, either in *Longitude* or *Latitude*; in longitude sometimes they seeme (to us) to move *direct* or forward, again sometime *Retrograde* or back-ward, sometimes *Stationary* and move not at all, sometimes they are swifter in motion, at other times slower; according to their distance from the earth. They are said likewise to wander in respect of *Latitude*, for sometimes they incline to be more *Northward* of the *Eclipticke*, and sometime more *Southward*, sometime they have greater latitude, sometime they have lesser or none at all.

And as this difference of motion is proper to all the *Planets* in generall, so likewise the diversity of motion is among the *Planets*, or proper to themselves, so do they produce the like variety in their effects, both generally and particularly.

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wise do they vary in *proportion* one to another, for some of them are of *slower* motion, others of more *swift*, according to their *Distance* from their *Center*, and the *Circumference* of their *Spheres* in which they move, some of them have greater *Latitude*, others *Less*, according to the *severall angles* of their *Inclinations*: of all which motions as they are generally treated of by those worthy Authors aforesaid, and particularly by the *Ephemeris*, (in which all their motions are daily seen by *Inspection*) I shall forbear to treat any further, and proceed to a more particular description of the Names, Characters, Divisions, Significations, &c. of the signs and planets.

Of the Signs.

The *Signs* (as in the former Section I have declared) are so many *Constellations* placed upon a great Circle of the sphere, which for distinction sake do take denomination of such Creatures, as they represent either in *Form*, or *Nature*.

They are in Number 12. each containing 30, degrees in longitude, the whole circle (as all other circles of the Sphere) being 360 degrees, but in this respect they
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are to be considered two waies, either in respect of their divisions upon the Ecliptick, or in their proper Constellations.

They are ever reckoned in the *Ecliptick*, from the *vernall Equinoctiall* point, (so called, because any Planet therein placed hath an equall arch day and night, that is as long from his rising to his setting, as from setting to his rising again, hence when the Sun (or Earth) comes to those points of the *sphere*, the daies or nights are equal) and divided upon this Eclipticall circle into 12 equall parts aforesaid, but the *Constellations*, as they have a different *Principium*, or beginning, so they have a various and an unequal division; so that the first Zodiacall Constellation, in this age begins about the 28 degree of the first sign as it is reckoned in the Ecliptick, and do by the aforesaid proportion still increase, and vary from it, viz. 1 degree, 23' in 100 years.

Hence we may learn that this our ancient Astrology (generally received, & by some too much adored and maintained) as well as the ancient Astrology, requires a diligent examination, and a judicious correction.

So likewise they are as *unequally* divided, for some do extend beyond 30 degrees, some less, but for better distinction sake, the Planets, (and the fixed Stars) are measured in the *Ecliptick*, but their significations are varied more truly in the severall constellations, &c.

But to proceed, as they are particularly
Named

Named for distinction sake, so are they
Charactered for brevity sake, which
 names and Characters, although they
 are given by the ancients, are still retain-
 ed, and are as followeth.

1. Aries, ♈.
2. Taurus, ♉.
3. Gemini, ♊.
4. Cancer, ♋.
5. Leo, ♌.
6. Virgo, ♍.
7. Libra, ♎.
8. Scorpio, ♏.
9. Sagittarius, ♐.
10. Capricornus, ♑.
11. Aquarius, ♒.
12. Pisces, ♓.

These 12 *signs* are appropriated to the
 12 *Months* of the year, for that the Sun
 every *Month* passeth through one sign,
viz. 30 degrees, and such a month is
 called a *Solar* month, and thus are they
 also divided into four *parts*, answering
 to the four quarters of the year, and the
 four *divisions* of mans Age, ♈ ♉ ♊
 to the spring, beginning at ♈ the first
 sign, and in this our age attributed to the
 first *Month* of the year, *viz.* March, and so
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the other two signs to the other two Months of *April* and *May*; as to mans age this first division (both of signs and quarter is attributed to (and hath co-signification with) our youth.

☿ ♈ ☿ Are appropriated to the summer quarter, viz. *June, Iuly, August*, and in mans age to man-hood.

♊ ♉ ♊ To the Autumnall quarter, viz. the months of *September, October, November*; and to the declining age of man.

♋ ♊ ♋ Are appropriated to the winter quarter, and months of *December, January, February*, and the old, and last age of man.

2. They are divided into four Triplicities answering to the four principal qualities, and the severall Temperatures, Humours, and Complexions in man.

♈ ♈ ♈ To the Fiery Trigon, hot and dry & chollic, ☿ ♋ ☿ to the Earth, cold and dry, and Melancholy, ♀ ♊ ♀ to the Air, hot and moyst, and Sanguine complexion, ☿ ♉ ☿ to the Watry Triplicity, cold and moyst, and in the body of man to the Phlegmaticke humour or temperature.

3. They are again divided into moveable, fixed and common signs; moveable signs are ♈ ♊ ♋ so called, because they

they signifie more suddain alteration, and are more manifest in operation; hence it is the ☉ entering into these signes do divide the 4. seasons of the year as aforesaid, and suddainly manifest the change of the aire, &c. according to the season; and so in other operations of the other Planets, for which cause these signes are most properly called the most efficacious and principal signes or parts of the Circle.

The fixed signes are ♈ ♉ ♊ ♋ ♌ ♍ to termed, because what is signified in and by them is more durable fixed, &c. The season inclines more to its own property generally, they are less principal as being succedent to the former.

Common signes, viz. ♋ ♌ ♍ ♎, are cadent from the Equinoctial and tropical signes; and consequently of least signification; they are termed Common, for that they partake of the nature of the preceding and subsequent signes, signifie many relapses and suddain and contrary mutations, &c.

Fourthly, they are divided into Humane, Bestial, &c. Humane signes are ♋ ♌ ♍, and first part of ♎, as they represent humane Creatures, so have they most signification upon all humane actions, and in particular upon man; Bestial

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are, \vee \oslash Ω \wp , and the last part of \mathcal{I} , as having signification on such Creatures as they represent in particular, \oslash and \mathcal{X} , represent and have most signification of the waters, and such things as are contained in them, as Fish, Navigable affairs, &c. \mathfrak{m} represents Serpents, and creeping things, locusts, all manner of treachery, fraud, &c.

They are likewise said to have respect to the severall quarters or parts of the World, but somewhat in a different sense, viz. either in regard of their declination, or by a certain congruence one to another; by their declination they are accounted *Septentrional* or northern, as \vee \oslash Π \oslash Ω \mathfrak{m} because their declination is north from the *Equinoctial* and *Meridional*, or south, as \mathfrak{m} \mathcal{I} \wp \approx \mathcal{X} , which decline to the Southward, the Angle of whose greatest declination either North or South is according to the latest and best observation 23. degrees, 20.

But in regard of their *Congruity* one to another, there ariseth some variation, it not contradiction, so \vee Ω \mathcal{I} , are said to respect the East or oriental parts: For \vee having no declination from the *Equinox* (I mean in the beginning) shall chiefly respect the East, and Ω \mathcal{I} signes of the same Tri-
plicity

plicity are attributed to the same quarters, though one have great North declination, the other South, likewise \propto denotes such parts as lye to the South, because of the same Trigon with \vee whose Tropical point is the Angle of greatest declination Southward, yet Taurus its declination is North, and in that respect called otherwise a Northern sign.

The truth is, the beginning of \vee being the Equinoctial point vernal, is not improperly attributed to the East, and of \propto its opposite to the West, \odot its Tropick being the Angle of greatest declination from the Equinox Northward is most truly attributed to the North, and \vee its opposite to the South, and herein I have found much Verity, but having found such Truth rarely in signes of the same Triplicity for the same quarters, notwithstanding other significations concurring, I indeavoured to satisfie my self from what ground it should be so understood, I perceived no other reason than what is already specify'd, viz. that they were signes of the same triplicity, and perceiving the other principal signes were so disposed in respect of their declination, I thought it most rational the other signes should concur proportionably, and might my own experience

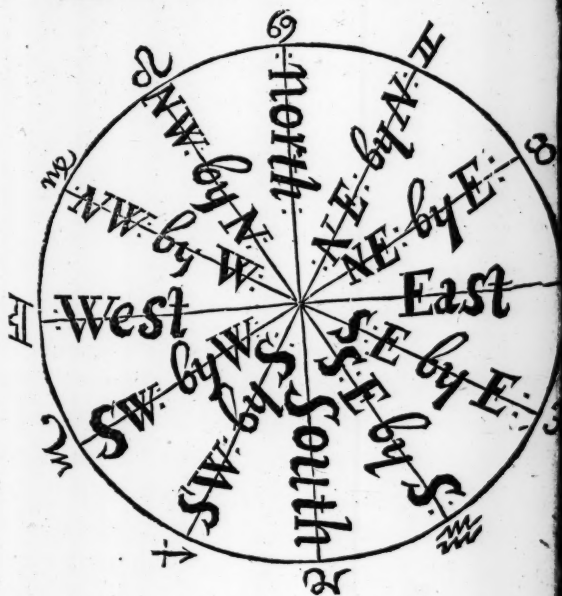
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be credited, I have observed much more verity in this than the other usual way, though it be of sufficient antiquity to carry the authority of an opinion, though not scarce demonstrative, * I do not assert this as infallible, or that any should credit me or it without further proof, I hope it will incite some of the more *Ingenious* to examine the grounds of their *Science*, and not as most do take all upon trust, and so deceive themselves and others, to the great *detriment* and abuse of Art.

But I have digressed, I hope I shall be modestly censured for this *Criticisme* of the more judicious of this Art; if my willing *Indeavours* at present may be acceptable. (as to the *Ingenious* I know they will) I hope to live to publish some examples of this and the like kind, for the proof of such *demonstrative Truths*, as generally are not manifest, or at least not practised by the *Professours* of our Age.

I now proceed to my intended purpose, onely take a figure of the several *points* of the *Compass*, as they are appropriated to the *Signes*, according to the *precept* aforesaid; for a more ready *Explanation* of those who please

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please to make *tryall* or *use* of it ; How-
ever let every one make use of what he
finds most truth in,

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Who pleaseth may enlarge it to the 32. points of the *Compass*, by *proportional parts* to every sign, this I conceive at present sufficient.

There are divers other *divisions* of the *signs*, than what I have at present mentioned, but seeing they serve but little to my purpose, and are more largely than truly treated of by divers *Authors*; I think it more necessary to omit them; and proceed to the *signification* of the *Planets* or *wandering stars*.

What the Planets are,

The *Planets* (as was before noted) or *wandering Stars* are different from those termed *fixed*, not only in *motion*, as you have heard, but also in regard of their *Essential* matter and qualities; For the *fixed stars* are nearer the *matter* of the *Sun*, whose *Light* also with which they enlighten those *opaque bodies* more near to themselves and only appear to us by *Circumradiancy*) is *Essentially* in, and *Inherent* to themselves, as the *light* of our *Sun*, so *Sun* is.

are the *Planets* (as well as our *Earth*) are *opaque* bodies, shining by that *light* stars to our *Earth*; for proof of which see, 5. and 6. Chap. of the following discourse of the *system* of the world.

which they borrow from the *Sun* (who is the Center of their *light* as well as of their *motion*) differing no more from the *quality* of our *Earth*, than the *metalls* of the said *Earth*, differ one from another, or one *Soyl* from another, yet all *metalls*, or all *Soyl* though of different *qualities* and *Natures*.

They are generally accounted in number *Seven*, which for *distinction* and *brevity*, are thus called and *Charactered*.

Saturn ♄, *Iupiter* ♃, *Mars* ♂, *Sol* ☉ *
Venus ♀, *Mercury* ☿, *Luna* ☾.

Although
the Earth

These *Planets* have more powerfull influence upon the *Earth* and those things produced from, and contained in it, than the *fixed Stars*, as well for this reason, (not to be rejected) viz. that they sympathize in Nature with her) as in respect of their propinquity to the *Earth*, (the generall and common reason given for their more manifest power and operation) for although the *fixed Stars* are of a vast and incomprehensible distance, insomuch as they are void of all sensible parrallax, yet such is their excess in magnitude, to that of the *Planets* (as by their visible appearances is manifest) who notwithstanding their distance according to the *Earth*, as is clearly manifest to the sense.

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 numbered
 among the
Planets, in-
 stead of the
Sun; yet the
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 spect of us,
 chiefly to be
 regarded as
 the chiefest
 of *Planets*,
 as their
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 both of
 light, life
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pear equal in *Magnitude* as it were) though
 in respect of the said great distance, their
 true *Magnitudes* are very *dubitable*, it not
impossible to be known; I say notwithstanding they are far more remote, yet in
 regard of their *Excess* of magnitude, they
 must necessarily have as *powerfull* ope-
 ration upon us, as the *Planets* have, did
 they *Sympathize* with our Earth as the
Planets do whether it be by *magnetisme*,
 or an *active Influx* in themselves, I take not
 upon me to determine; yet in regard it is
 often found true, that the *Planets* are
 augmented or diminished in their operation,
 by their propinquity to the *fixed Stars*; it
 hath been observed by the studious in
 this Science, both ancient and modern,
 that either by their colour or experienced
 virtues and operations, they have partici-
 pated with the *Planets* in signification,
 though more weakly, and in somewhat a
 different sense, so that by the variety of
 their influences they are said to be of the
 nature of such or such a *Planet*, (and some-
 times of two *Planets*, &c. whereby they
 are said to augment and diminish the plane-
 tary influences.

Not only their difference from those
Stars that are fixed but also among them-
 selves is to be considered, for according to
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their various *qualities* they produce various and *diversity* of *Effects*; hence some are termed *fortunes* and *benevolent*, others *infortunes* and *malevolent*, and some *indifferent*.

The *benevolent* and *fortunate* Planets are, *Venus* and *Jupiter*, and the good *Aspects* of the *Sun*.

The *infortunes* and *malevolents* are *Saturn* and *Mars*, and the bad *Aspects* of the ☉.

Those Planets that are of an *indifferent* nature are *Mercury* and the *Moon*.

And you must know that this diversity of operation among the Planets proceeds from their agreement or contrariety of nature and quality, to that of our Earth; even as the *vegetables* of the Earth do accord with, or are contrary in nature one to another; and so *Saturn* by reason of his excess in cold, and *Mars* in respect of his excess of heat, are said to be *infortunate* to us, as exceeding in those principal qualities, so that they become destructive to nature in its actions and passions generally; And hence it is that *Jupiter* and *Venus* are said to be *benevolent* and *friendly* to our natures, because they sympathize nearest with the nature of our Earth, and all its productions; and in that they exceed not in
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any one quality, by which nature becomes corrupted and destroyed.

Mercury and the *Moon* also are said to be indifferent, as much for the reason aforesaid, as by reason of their affinity to, and frequent variations from other Planets, for as it is the property of *Mercury* to vary from his Essential quality, or at least to be subject to such mutation in his influence, by reason of his access to, and coherence with the Planets by body or aspect; so the *Moon* by reason of her propinquity to the *Earth*, as its proper attendant or handmaid, (as respecting the same for her proper center, which the other Planets do not, as is manifest by her different motion from them) doth more easily receive impresson from and convey the influence of all the other Planets to us, (by which they become more significant, and apparent in their influences and operations) though it may not improperly be said, she (in respect of her own essential quality) exceeds our *Earth* in humidity.

The *Sun*, as he is the center (more especially) of the motion of all the Planets and their attendants, (as well as of their light and life) it is manifest that by his good or bad aspects, he should either be very friendly to Nature in the one, and

as prejudiciall in the other; yet seeing those his aforesaid passions are accidentall, it might be rationally conjectured that he should be most freindly to Nature in all its actions generally; but I shall not dispute the matter at this time.

This diversity that you have heard of among the Planets, is generall, therefore you must note that they have a more particular influence upon some particular objects, whether they be either Persons or Things, and that also in a various manner according to their severall properties aforesaid.

And thus you shall find Saturne hath most influence upon, and most signification of the most ancient Families in any place, and more particularly upon Monkes and Friers, Sectaries of all sorts, men of aged degree.

Jupiter hath signification of Church men, of the more puer and Orthodox principles of Religion, the Law and the practitioners thereof, he Generally represents the Nobility and Gentry of any Nation or Kingdom.

Mars signifies Souldiers of all sorts, and all such as belong to Military exercises.

☉ The Sun represents Emperours, Kings, Magistrates of all sorts.

Venus hath most signification of VVomen both Noble, and Ignoble, jewels, &c.

Mercury

Mercury signifies Merchants, Treasurers, Secretaries, Clerkes, Scribes of all sorts, Students of the Mathematicks, &c.

The Moon represents the common People.

Their various Effects are produced according to the variety of their species, and so Saturn causeth much tribulation and sorow, depopulations, and ruine of buildings, corrupts the Air by his excess of cold, is the causer and augmentor of hard and tedious Frosts in Winter, diminisheth the heat in Summer; causes also long and tedious Infirmities in the body of Man, &c.

On the contrary Mars is causer of VVars, Murthers, Robberies, corrupts the Air by his excess of heat, causing Pestilence and destructive diseases, house-burnings, &c.

The fortunate Planets signifie Tranquility, peace and plenty, amity among the people, according to their severall Natures,

These are the severall significations simply of the Planets themselves, but you must know their Influences are intended and remitted by their mixtures one with another, as also by their various positions, and aspects.

By their positions in signs or severall parts of the Circle in which they are
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said to be, and have most principall respect to, in some parts or signs they are augmented in their influences and operations, in others they are depressed.

The further discourse of which I shall omit till more convenient opportunity.

2. By position, first in the houses or parts of heaven as the nearer the horizontal and meridional points, the more powerfull in operation, &c. 2 d. by their propinquity to the Earth, as well in respect of their own Excentricities (by which at the points of their Aphelion and Perihelion, they are nearer to, or further from the Earth) as by the various situations in respect of the motion of the Earth it self, so that as in the middle of their retrogradations, they are then much nearer the Earth than at other times or places, it follows that they are then more powerfull in their own proper influences, especially if at the same time they are in or near their Perihelions.

Thirdly, they are augmented or diminished in there operations, in respect of there oblique or direct positions to the Earth; hence a Planet or Star who hath the most declination and latitude North, (as being nearer the vertex) is far more powerfull in his operation, by so much as their beams of Influence are directly projected.

But secondly they are intended and re-mitted

Vide Kepler
Epitom
Astronom
pag. 840.

mitted in their powerfull operations, by there various aspects or Conjunctions, (An *aspect is an angle formed at the Earth of the beames of two Planets or Stars at a certain proportional distance one from another, having great power to stir up influence.)

The most principal Aspects the Planets made among themselves, are these 4 viz. * Sextile, □ Quartile, △ Trine, & Opposition.

The Conjunctions of the planets (thus characterized ∫) improperly called an aspect, as it is the corporeall union of their beames, is of most power among other Configurations, and of the infortunate planets is very malevolent, of the fortunate, benevolent, of the fortunes with the infortunes, is good to the bad planets, but evill to the good.

The other aspects have their various properties as friendly and benevolent, as * and △, especially the sextile; evill, malevolent, and mimical are the □ and &, especially the opposition.

The * aspect is the distance of two stars by a sixth part of the circle viz. 60 degrees, a quartile of a fourth part; ninety the trine of one third part, viz. 120 d. the opposition is the two diametricall pointes of a circle viz. 180 d. where note that

of all these aspects, the *conjunction*, and opposition, have most proper signification of the *generation* and corruption of all *elementary* bodies.

According to the different *properties* of these *aspects* I say it cometh to pass by the frequent *mixtures* and *union* of the *beames* of the *stars* and planets, that their influences are *intended*, or *remitted*, as the learned *Sr. Christopher Heydon* doth iudiciously *express* it, in his defence of *Astrology*, when he treateth more *largely* and most *learnedly* of these matters, and with as good *demonstration*, as judgement; To whom for further satisfaction I refer my *Reader*; and only say that from the true knowledge of the *Natures* of the planets, there *various* motions, positions, and *aspects*, is derived the whole body of *Astrological* judgments; There are divers other *divisions*, and significations as well of the planets as of the *signes*, more *unnecessary* here to be spoken of, for as much as they are more *largely* treated of by severall authors, especially by those well *Collected* introductions, viz. *Mr. Lillies* *Christjan Astrology*, and *Iohn Gadbury's* *Doctrine of Nativities*, as that they are unfit for my purpose. I have been somewhat *larger* than I thought at first in the

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preface, or institution, yet I hope no larger than necessary, many things are omitted for breuity sake, and its probable some Errors Committed; if this be worth your acceptance, I hope to live to perfect the one, and amend the other, in the meantime, prius intellige, tunc increpa; Vale.

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*Of the subject viz, A Con-
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Mars, &c.*

HAaving in the foregoing *preface*,
in some sense briefly shewed
what *variety* of influence the
stars have upon all *inferiour* ob-
jects, and that they are those *Naturall*
Instruments, by which those *various*
mutations that happen amongst us both
generall and *particular*, are caused and ma-
nifested ; I might much *dilate* my di-
scourse upon variety of Examples to
prove the Truth and Certainty thereof :
and that from *various subjects* as *Eclipses*,
with greater and lesser *conjunctions* of the
Planets, &c. and not exceed the limits
of ordinary capacity, to omit the sever-
all *mutations* and grand *revolutions* that
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have happened since that great *Conjunction* of h M in I 1603. accurately observed by Sir *Christopher Heydon*, and *Kepler*, that in 1623, in A before the death of *King James*, and the coming of *Charles* to the Crown; of that in 1643, most judiciously handled by Mr. *William Lilly* in his *prophetical Merline*; Nor those other lesser conjunctions and other phenomions since those times, or concomitant with those more grand and significant *Configurations*; It may be easily called to mind what happened with us in *England* upon the effects of the *Conjunction* of h and S in V , in the year 1644. how ominous was that dismal *Conjunction* of h and S in O to *Ireland*, notably predicted by *Ioh. Booker* in his bloody *Almanack*, 1646. what notable effects followed that as notable *Conjunction* of the same *Planets* in *Gemini*, not only as to the *City of London*, and in the *Nation of England* in general, but more particularly to the body and affairs of the late *King*, and *Duke Hamilton*, the *Conjunction* hapening near the cusp of the 10th. house in the *Nativity* of the one, and near the opposite place of the \odot in the *Nativity* of the other, most worthy of the consideration of every judicious *Astrologer*; this *Conjunction*

Which Conjunction also hapened upon the cusp of the M. C. in the Nativity of the late King. and was very prejudicial unto him.

tion being sufficiently handled by Mr. Lilly in a book by it self, to which I refer you; anno 1650. there happened a Conjunction of *Saturn*, & *Mars* in *Cancer*; what inundations of waters at *Amsterdam* in *Holland*, * and divers other places; especially that at *Bilbo*, &c. the year following, how ominous was that Conjunction to the Scots undertakings.

* Notably predicted by Mr. Culpeper, and this Conjunction being now in a quadrangular sign their ascendant gives then warning of the like Enormities.

Again in the year 1652. there happened a Conjunction of these unfortunate Planets in *Leo*, and what prodigious effects it produced to *Italy* in general, and *Rome* in particular; I need not recite that raging and consuming *Plague* are too eminent Testimonies of the verity of its effects.

Neither are those intended insurrections about *Salisbury*, &c. together with those dangerous fires in and about *London*, with other more private disasters, less considerable as the Effects of those two Conjunctions of ♄ and ♂ in ♊ in 54. and 56. It is true, there might be other Configurations of Heaven preceding and subsequent every one of these Conjunctions, that might coagitate with them, whose particular significations might otherwise be distinguished: I only mention these, because it is a Conjunction of the same Planets that I am to treat of.

There are also other accidents that followed these *Conjunctions* as well in *Transmarine* parts, as with us here in *England*, but seeing they are in the memory of every man, and that these latter *Conjunctions* have in some sence been handled by several *Astrologians* in *England*, (who have notably hinted of such like accidents) I think it as necessary to omit any larger discourse, what I have already said, was only to shew you hereby the wonderfull Wisdom, Power, and Goodness of God, that hath thus ordered, disposed and manifested the cause of all sublunary actions and mutations that his providence hath allotted to happen amongst us; as also the excellency, necessity and verity of *Astrology*, and the credit of all sober and judicious *Astrologers*, who say, that such like *Conjunctions* of the infortunes, are the causes of many eminent accidents to ensue, viz. subtle and private consultations and conspiracies against legal Governours and government, insurrections, popular murmurings, and augmentation of wars, tumults and commotions, dearth of corn, and destruction to cattle great and small, the decay of some ancient buildings and families, fires by and many piracies at

Sea, and robberies by Land; strange and unexpected diseases in the body of man, very difficult to be known and cured, upon which there ensues great mortality, many murders, all or most part of which hath been too sufficiently verityed in the effects of the preceding Conjunctions, as mentioned aforesaid,

This Conjunction of which I now treat of, will undoubtedly have its portion of Effects as powerfully as any preceding, if we consider the place the Planets conjoyn in, viz, an Equinodial, and one of the most principal signes of the Zodiack, (therefore its effects will be more manifest) the Sun also having lately been in Conjunction with *Mars* and *Saturn*, in the same sign, from whence we may expect the Effects will be the more powerfull, the sign is moveable, therefore the Effects will be the more suddain and swift, and the rather because both Planets are swift of course, very swift, it is also a humane sign, therefore will the Effects operate most upon men and actions humane; These are those fundamentals proper to the Conjunction it self, that are chiefly to be handled, after which shall I, God willing, observe how it is augmented or diminished by preceding and

subsequent Configurations ; for it is a maxime Astrologically, that these lesser configurations of the Planets operate not so powerfully of themselves as with other concomitant configurations, and they altogether subordinate to some eminent preceding configuration of the superiour Planets, Comets, mutations of Aphelions &c.

It was judiciously observed of Mr. Lilly in his discourse of the conjunction of ♄ and ♂ in Gemini 1658 Page 30 the subject matter saith he speaking of that conjunction, is a conjunction of *Saturn* and *Mars*, the two malevolent and worst Planets, whose influence indeed may produce wonderfull alterations and mutations, but not wholly of themselves, without other convenient causes of proceeding and subsequent configurations, &c. And in the 32 page of the same book, from that true, and notable Aphorisme of Rigel 3. 2d. there quoted, *Deteriorantur genera hominum per transmutationes illarum magnarum conjunctionum, &c.* The qualities of men are depraved, made worse, or corrupted by the transmutation of those great conjunctions, when as those conjunctions which succeed are inimically configured to those

those positions or figures preceding, &c. Let us consider saith he that the conjunction of *Saturn* and *Iupiter* in the eighth degree of *Sagittarius* Anno 1603. When King *Iames* came to the Crown of *England*, must be the place, or first assured ground from which untill the year 181, in an Astrological way of Iudgement, we must more or less derive a conjecture of humane contingencies in this Kingdome and in *Scotland* especialy, and generally over all *Europe*, we must also commix in judgment therewith, the two latter conjunctions of *Saturn* and *Iupiter*, the one in 1623, and the other in 1643. &c. Thus far he, who pleaseth to peruse the book may be further satisfied, and then perceive how he hath applied both, the Aphorisme, and his own precept to the conjunction then treated of; I shall use the same method in this conjunction I now treat of.

For in the figure of the first conjunction of ♄ and ♃ 1603, the cusp of the *Medium Cali* is very nere the place of this conjunction, in sextile to the ascendent and place of the \odot in the aforesaid conjunction; neither ought it to be rejected that ♀ who is absolute Lady of the 10th in

in that figure, and dispositor of the sign wherein these two malevolent Planets are conjoyned, is now nere the place of the conjunction of ♄ and ♀ then, was then in * to their now Planet of conjunction: those two conjunctions of ☉ and ♄ and ☉ and ♀, the one upon the 22 of September, the other upon the 4 of October, immediately preceding this ♄ of ♄ and ♀, happening also nere the *Medium Celi* of that conjunction, and the place of ♀, who apply'd by * to ♄ and ♀ then conjoyned.

At the Time of the 2d. ♄ of Saturn and Jupiter Anno 1613, The place of the sun was in 24. ♄, the planet of this conjunction of ♄ and ♀ now, is in 22, ♄, viz, in *platiue* ☐ dexter to the aforesaid place of the ☉; omitt to its relation to the cusp of any house as uncertaine, all which do assuredly denote, that as this conjunction will have more than ordinarily, such powerfull effects attending it, during its time, as happening in one the most principle signes of the *Zodiack*, so will those effects be of greater concernment, and the more efficacious as it so corresponds with those preceding configurations, &c.

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And certainly this its coherence as aforesaid, denotes great disturbance among the Rulers and Governours of several Parts, Kingdoms, Nations, &c. much struggling and contending about some former rights and priviledges; or that during the Effects of this Conjunction, a certain kind of subtle, self-enned, and male contented people, who are of great authority, and sway in the Counsell of Kings or Rulers, and the government of Nations should for private interests pretend the restauration of former priviledges, and much indeavour under pretence of Religion, or as religious men, to rectifie some miscarriages, &c. in Church and State, and under this pretence should deceive many, both Rulers and People, for (as you may see) the \triangleright applies to a \triangle of this Conjunctional place, at the Conjunction of h & v in 1603. and that in 43. but this is general and indeed who dares descend to particulars.

As for that forementioned *Aphorisme* of *Rigal*, where the figures are to be compared with those of former times, as he speaks of; I say such is the intricacy, either by the best Tables, or indeed by instrument it self, of finding the true time of any of the superiour Planets, that I hold it

it altogether vain to think of erecting any figure for the time of any such Conjunction, when it is so uncertain, for if the diurnal motion of H be 4. or 5. minutes, and of L 10. or 12. or of S 30. or 40. &c. so that L may exceed the diurnal motion of Saturn 6. or 7. minutes, and S exceed either of them 30. more or less, I say that seeing the best Tables in being, or that can be made by the art and industry of man, neither do, or can agree to the places of the primary Planets, by two or three minutes, (nay it would be admirably Well if they could) or perhaps more: How improbable is it to have the time of their Conjunctions, which is or ought to be understood, when they are in 6. degree, minute, and second, at least: And thus likewise doth the intricacy of finding the said time by instrument appear, by which, though as large as ever any was, no man can observe to half a minute, if to a minute, and to this purpose Mr. Vincent VVing after the Calculation of the S of H and L : 1663. hath most judiciously express'd himself by way of caution, whose words may take the better impression in the minds of all judicious Astrologians. I think it necessary here to repeat them.

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To erect a figure (saith he) for the time of this Conjunction is too great a curiosity for any to attempt, for if we do but judiciously consider the great difficulty in observing the true places of the stars and planets with instrument, we shall wave such nicities, for I am confident the most curious Observer on Earth, though his instrument be never so large and exquisitely divided, yet may fail 2. or 3. minutes at some time in taking the place of any star. as Tycho himself hath sundry times experimented, who with his Coadjutors and Assistants did usually make several observations at once, in different places. about taking the longitude and latitude of one and the same star, so that hence the (best) Tables built upon observation, must of necessity fail somewhat of truth, though not much, being directed by an able Artist, as in this Conjunction should we fail but one minute in the place of each planet, we should miss no less than 8. hours of the time of the conjunction, which with the best instrument that can be used is scarce discernable; the further proof whereof I leave to the consideration of the judicious, but not to the fancy of every vulgar practitioner. Thus he, which how truly

truely every expert *Astrophilus* can testify; and hereupon it was also that renowned *Cardane*, speaking of the Conjunctions of the superiour planets in his *Comment* upon *Ptolomy*, concluded in these words, *ad hoc discrimen nullus mortalium, nec instrumento, nec aliter discernere potest*, such is the disadvantage that no mortall man either with instrument or otherwise can discern the true time of those Conjunctions.

As for that *Conjunction* in 1603. observed by Sir *Christopher Heydon*, I conceive it as exact as is possible for mortal man to observe, and the rather for that it agrees so near in time to that observation made by *Io. Kepler* at *Prague* in *Bahemia*, mentioned in his book *de stella Nova*, who differs only 13. of time, being reduced to the Meridian of *London*, which difference might arise as well in error of *longitude*, as Sir *Christopher Heydon* well noteth, whose industry and care was such in observing the places of the said Planets both at the time, and severall dayes before and after (by which he also examined by computation of the severall diurnal motions of *Saturn* and *Jupiter*, which differed little from the time of observation) in respect of the great concernment that he was sensible

sible of, attending that great conjunction that I suppose the observation good and true, see his discourse of that conjunction, and be further satisfied.

The same conjunction calculated from the *Rudolphine* tables, differs no less than 24. hours in time, which as it little altered the face of Heaven, only in *loco* » as Mr. *Lilly* noteth from the time observed, causeth as little error in *Judgement*, but had the difference only been 6. or 12. hours, or 30. hours as it might as well have been, how great would the error have been; yet Mr. *Lilly* magnifies the verity of the Tables, (though I suppose unwarily,) and from thence conceives he hath the true time of that *Conjunction* he there treats of, viz. 1642. as any may read in his *Prophetical Merline*, which as I noted before is impossible, but I presume that he and all other judicious Artists are sufficiently convinced of that point, &c.

I had not *digrest*,) though it be but necessary) but that I know some would expect and wonder I should not insert the figure of this Conjunction, seeing it hath generally been the practise of all or most of Professors, and some of those very judicious,
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that have hitherto treated of these subjects, but being sensible of the uncertainty thereof for those reasons aforesaid, and the vanity of conceiving such a thing to be expected, I thought it more safe to omit it.

And not only for those reasons aforesaid, but also that variety of opinion of severall Authors, about the place and time of this Conjunction I now treat of, and all highly magnifying the verity of their own Tables Mr. *VVing* from *Harmonicon cœleste*, in the beginning of his *Ephemeris* for the year of 58. calculates the time and place to be *October* the 11th. at 6. hours 43 minutes afternoon, which I suppose to be nearest the truth; *Eichstadies* from the *Danick Tables*, hath at *London* about a quarter of an hour past 3. in the morning on the 12th. day, *Argol* of *Rome* from his own *Tables*, gives it at *London* 37. past 3. on the 12th. day in the morning, yet in his *Ephemeris* it should be about 50. past 10. on the 12th. day: *Montebrunus* from the *Lansbergian Tables* reduced to *London* hath it about 20. past noon on the 11th. day, and as in time, so in place, *VVing* in 22. deg. 5. min. of \square , *Argol* in 22. 20. *Eichstad.* in 22. 18. *Monteb.* 21, 53, and yet I say that every

one of these much contending for *superiority* and *verity* notwithstanding these great *variations*.

Since it is thus then, that which I hold most convenient & certain in this manner of *judicature*, is to consider the place of the *Conjunction*, at the next preceding or subsequent new or full Moon, and from thence derive *particulars*, from the *Conjunction* it self, and those things proper to it, for the *kind* and *quality* of the *Events*: Its coherence with preceding and subsequent *Configurations*, together with the most principal *Aspects* and *Transits* of the Planets conjoyned, for the time when, and the places which shall be chiefly sensible of its *Effects*, of which in order,

Behold the figure of Heaven at the new Moon postventional the \odot , which for its notable congruence with the *Conjunction* it self, I the rather and more willingly except.



*Of the kinds or qualities of
the Events, &c.*

WHat manner of Events are likely to
 succeed this and suchlike *Configura-*
tions of the Planets, we may probably con-
 jecture from the nature of those Planets
 that are thus *configured*, the subsequent
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here treated of is a conjunction of the two malevolent Planets *Saturn* and *Mars*, the worst of Planets, and never did there happen any conjunction of these Planets but as malevolent effects in one sence or other did succeed in severall places of the world, and as this do happens in an *Æquinoctiall*, *Cardinall*, moveable, one of the most principall signes (as I noted before) so will the effects depending hereupon be the more powerfull, of the greater concernment and as sudden in operation, as will (no doubt) manifestly appear in severall parts of *Europe*, amongst which our own Nation of *England* will and must expect a principall share.

The sign is also called humane; that is, hath most signification of men and their actions and intentions, and they men of prime quality in every Kingdome and Commonwealth where the effects shall chiefly operate, its also accounted to have great signification of the ayery trigon, whence we may conjecture, and that from good grounds and principles, there will ensue often some sudden and contrary mutations of the ayr, very unwholesome, and destructive to the body of man, causing

ling various and most violent and pernicious diseases of which many will assuredly dy, especially such as are of yeares, and the rather and the more frequently, for that those distempers, that are portended by and are likely to succeed this conjunction, are and will be so occult, and contrary to the judgment of the most able Physicians, who are not Astrologically skill'd in the causes, and effects of such diseases, to which the body of man is subject; especially upon the effects of such like configurations &c.

If it be demanded what manner of Symtomes, or how and in what manner these diseases will afflict; I answer, that as the sign, wherein this \odot is, represents or hath signification of the raines and kidneys, and the uterine parts of the body of man, and of the sanguine complexion, hence I say together with the nature of the Planets afflicting &c. the cause of those diseases will be from corruption of blood, both by cholar and mellancholly obstructions in the reins and kidnys, Retention of urine, stone or gravel in the kidnies, and because both ♄ and \odot do enter the sign *Scorpio* not long after the conjunction

so will there be great pains in the *secret parts*, a kind of strangury: the symtomes attending these malladies, will be first a terrible trembling over all the body, great pains in the head and back, weakness of the *joynts*, a great nauſeouſnels of *ſtomach*, and *indigeſtion*, and generally a great weakness in the *retentive faculty*; and then follows great fluxes and Conſump-
tion of thoſe parts aforeſaid; theſe or ſuch like diſeaſes as theſe here mentioned are likely to exceed, during the effects of this Conjunction; for it is a ſure maxime, (and late experiences do abundantly verifie it) that after a Conjunction of the two *infortunes*, there follows various and moſt pernitiouſ diſeaſes in the body of man, but that you may perceive what manner of events are likely to happen as well general as particular, you ſhall hear the Iudgement of Authors, as well as my own conceptions upon this or ſuch like Coniunctions; 10. *Eſcuidus* in his *Sum. Astrolog.* fol. 16. Cap. 5. there quoting the opinion of the ancients concerning theſe Coniunctions, beginneth thus, *Meſſal, de illis Conjunctionibus* Cap. 9. *quod res maxime eveniunt, de conjunctionibus planetarum ſuperiorum, & hoc fit, ex tarditate motus eorum*, that is; *Meſſahala*, ſpeaking of theſe Coniunctions, ſaith, that notable

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things and events do especially succeed the *Coniunctions* of the superiour Planets, which are made or happeneth by reason of the ponderosity, or slow motion of those Planets,

And indeed it is very true, for those 3. superior Planets as they are more ponderous, more slow in motion, and of much greater magnitude than the other Planets, and by reason of that tardity of motion can rarely come to *Coniunction* one with another, viz. Saturn and Jupiter, but once in 20 years, Saturn or ♄ with ♂, but once in two years at least, it follows that they shall portend the most principal *Transactions* that happen in the World,

And hence the same Author, in the Chap aforesaid, and a little after the aforesaid sentence, hath these words, *Cum coniuncti fuerint omnes tres in uno termino vel facit, & aspexerit eos sol, significat hoc destructionem sectarum & regnorum eorum mutationem, necnon & res maximas secundum quantitatem fortitudinis eorum & secundum eum quum vincit in signis eorum; Et hoc est maxima coniunctio eorum, quia significat prophetas; when it so happens that all those 3. Planets are conioyned in one term or face, and the Sun behold them, they signifie the destruction of Sects and self-*

scismatical opinions, the mutation of Kingdoms, their *Laws* and *Customs*, and the greatnels of those matters from the quantity of their fortitudes, and of that Planet that overcometh, or hath most dominion in the Sign of their Coniunction, and such a like Coniunction is said to be greatest, because it hath signification of Prophets; viz. their rise and appearance.

Although the sense of this Author in the foregoing words is to be understood of the \odot of h and u , who of all the Coniunctions of the Planets hath signification of the mutations of Kingdoms and Commonwealths, and the greater if \odot be ioyned with them, or his Coniunction with them be not much different in time from that of h and u , yet this \odot now treated of, carrieth a greater superiority of influence than any preceding for many years, and though it cannot be termed *Magna*, as in reference to those more weighty of h and u , yet comparatively as to the nature of those Coniunctions that are usually made among these Planets themselves, it will be of greater concernment than ordinary; and to this purpose I observe further in the same Author, Chap. and fol. aforesaid, that *Coniunctio media Saturni & Martis significat eventus &*

res maximas, scilicet coniunctio Saturni & Iovis est maior & significat eventus in Mundo, &c the Coniunction of Saturn and Mars is termed a mean Coniunction among the superior Planets. yet signifieth great events and matters to succeed, notwithstanding the \odot of H and U is greater, and signifies greater events to happen in the V World, &c.

Notwithstanding this I observe, that this Coniunction of Saturn and Mars, happening very near the *medium caeli* of that first and great Coniunction of H and U , Anno 1603. in platick \square to the place of \odot at their second meeting, Anno, 1623. about the first or second of May in this year 1658. there happened a notable \odot of \odot and U , not far from the Tropick of \odot , viz. in the first decanate thereof, in platick \square to the place of \odot . at that great \odot aforesaid, * upon the fourth of July last, (or thereabouts) there happened a \odot of \odot with U in perfect \square to the place of this \odot of H and \odot ; but in the 8 th. house of that \odot of H and U Anno 1603. * and very near the place of the \odot at their second \odot viz. 1623. upon the 22. of September this year there happened a \odot

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 U anno
1643. &c.
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of some eminent man, or principal Ruler in some principal Kingdom or Common-wealth of Europe.

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of ☉ with ☿ in the first decade of ♊ in the place of Mars at the great ☿, and in ☐ to that ☿ of ☿ and ♃ in May last, * Where upon the fourth of October there is a note that Conjunction of ☉ with ♄ in the first decade of ♊, which is also upon the very application of the 10. at the time of that great ☿ in ☉ and ☐, also to the place of ☉ at their second and ☿, Conjunction afore said, and to that ☿ of ☉ with ♃ in July last, and now this last ☿ ♄ and ☿ falling in the last decade of ♊, all which notable correspondences of heavenly Configurations, happening in Equinoctial and tropical signes, viz. the most efficacious, significant, and famous signes of the Zodiac; I say notwithstanding that general inferiority of these mean Coniunctions, to those of Saturn and Jupiter, yet from these afore said notable Configurations of the Planets so notably celebrated; I am verily perswaded, (and me thinks every rational and judicious Astrologian with me, hath sufficient ground and reason to judge) that the Almighty God of all Principalities and Powers (both in Heaven and Earth) by his infinite wisdom, and all-seeing Providence, hath intended and proposed, and by these his glorious and powerfull Instruments declared and pre-signified, and during the time of whose

effects will assuredly be sufficiently and abundantly manifested, such notable accidents, and transactions, such unexpected commotions, various mutations &c. to happen in all or most of the principal Kingdomes and Nations, and among the Kings and Rulers and Nobility of those places as have not usually happened, viz. Such hurly burlies, differences & disturbances about some ancient rites, privileges, lawes or customes (or so pretended) upon the effects of which there will arise much Contention, if not war and blood-shed, the deposing of some, the death of others, the extirpation of many and (according to the old proverb, its an ill wind blowes no body any good) some unexpectedly comes to rise and be greatly preferred as others fall and are deposed.

And I further observe, that as this doth thus denote, the performing of some notable purposes, and that such principall transactions are like to ensue, according to the former intents of divine providence, as have not usually attended a Conjunction of these Planets, so I say as to the quality in generall of these transactions, its very observable, that as that great & Anno 1603. was the precursor
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or forerunner of very fiery and commanding times (as was very iudiciously observed by Mr. Lilly in his *Propheticall Merline*) and which was well seconded by, (and more rigourously put in to execution during the effects of,) that 2d. *Coniunction* Anno. 1623. (both happening in Regall and fiery signes, and that the *Coniunction* of the same Planets Anno. 1641. was in a sign diametrically opposite in nature and quality, to those of the former *Coniunctions*, during whose influence there hath been, a great *Restriction* and suppression of the rigour and *ansterity* formerly excercised, and matters carried on with more mildness, and sobriety, and so these lesser *Coniunctions* of the superiour Planets before recited, bearing such an *Antypatheticall* respect to those two first *Coniunctions* of ♀ and ♃, though not so to the 3d, (for you may note that the ♀ of ♃ and ♂ in May aforesaid, and that of ☉ and ♃ in July, do one of them happen in △ to the place of ☉, the other to the place of that ♂ it self,) do certainly in my judgement denote that God in his wisdom hath yet some notable work to be done, as to the reforming and amendment of former miscarriages, in some persons



persons and matters, which by such instruments as he shall think convenient, shall be performed during the effects of those Coniunctions, and that these undertakings and Rectifications should generally be pleasing and to the well liking of the Nobility and Common-wealth of those places where such matters are performed, for you may see that this Conjunction of h and δ now is in Δ also to the place of the D at the great δ , and that in the year. 1643.

And if we may adhere to that method of Ptolomy his judging of Eclipses, for which I am sufficiently warranted by one of no less esteem than Escuidus Distinct. 2d. Cap. 10th. in which distinction he treateth wholly of these Conjunctions of the Planets, his words are these, *Volo ostendere modo qualiter sit iudicandum de accidentibus in Mundo per illas conjunctiones, Et intendendo observare eundem modum iudicandi per illas Conjunctiones, quem observat Ptolomeus secundo quadripartiti, ubi docet iudicare per eclipsim, sicut mihi videtur rationabiliter faciendum*; That is, the method I intend saith he, to shew in judging the nature of the effects portended by these Conjunctions is the same that Ptolomy in his second book of his quadripartite teach-

eth to judge by eclipses, which method seemeth to me rationally to be used, Thus he, whose words and Rule I observe as very necessary; So then we are advised by Ptolemy in 96. Propos. of his centiloquium for a more particular judgment of the quality of the events, to observe the configurations as well of the Planets, as of the fixed stars, as also the Images coarsing with the sign ascending, and accordingly to pronounce judgment, and in the 3 d. Chap. of his quadripartite, the figures of the signes are to be considered in which such defects do happen, also in which the Planets ruling, from whence the quality of the Events are discerned, to which assenteth Escuidus himselfe, Fol. 17. Cap. 9. *Hoc sciatur ex qualitatibus & formis & figuris signi conjunctionis & signorum in quibus stella erratica & non erratica consistunt, qui in signo conjunctionis & in signo ascendentis Coniunctionis dominantur, viz. in eisdem duobus locis plures dignitates essentielles & accidentales habeant.* The particular quality of the Events is known from the qualities, formes and figures of the sign of the conjunction, and the signs in which the fixed and wandrings stars are constituted, who in the sign of the conjunction,

on and the sign then ascending, shall be found to have most essentiall and accidentall dignities,

If we consider all the 3 *Coniunctions* that last happened viz, That of ☉ ♂ in the first decade of ♊, of ☉ with ♄ in the 2d. face or decanate, that of ♄ and ♂ in the last of ♊, and every one of these in the *asterisme* or *constellation* of the sign ♊ both sign and *Constellation* is humane, viz. hath most representation of men, and actions humane; hence we may coniecture that the effects of this coniunction will operate cheifely upon matters *ecclesiasticall* and *politically*, and that some mutations are likely to happen in Church, as well as in State affaires, for there is also an eminent fixed star of the first magnitude, with whom these Planets do ascend, and are not much elongated from at that time of there *Coniunction*, the star is of the nature of ♀. ♂. ♃. and hath also signification of matters *ecclesiastical*; the place of the *Coniunction* is the cusp of the 9 th. (viz. the house of Religion), at the postventionall new Moon, hence I say it is further confirmed, that there will be much consultations about matters of Religion, some new sects or No-

vell opinions are more frequently exercised, about which there is likely to happen some *disturbances* or *dissentions*, neither can it be expected, but that among the most serious Consultations to this purpose, as also in matters Civil and Political there will be much pretence to reformation, and when there is little but self-end, with malicious and destructive intents and purposes.

I observe further, that the most principal portents of this *Conjunction*, are manifested in private consultations, secret *A great Plot intended.* plottings, or in some more secret, pernicious and devilish plot or contrivance of some private, wicked, self-ended and malicious hypocritical persons, (some of which have had a religious profession) against their superiours, on purpose to raise War and Combustion, that they might effect their *purposes*, assuredly some such matters will be set on foot from the *Effects* of this ☿ of the two infortunes; but it may be hoped and expected, that although these or such like matters may for some time be obscured, and very little suspected, yet by that kind of *prohibition* (worthy of note) of ☉ during the application of ☿ to ♀, who meets first with the ☿ of ☿, then with ♀, which among

among *Astrologians* is properly termed a *prohibition*, and though the *Sun* be not fully *receded* from the body of both \odot and \odot , but are said to be yet under the *Sunbeams*, wanting about 5. or 6. *degrees* ere he be fully separated; hence I say notwithstanding that *obscurity* and private subtlety that may and will be used in carrying on of this wicked design; God by his Instruments, the judicious *Rulers*, and *Magistrates* of that *Kingdom* or *Nation*, will discover these pernicious designs, and deservedly punish the contrivers thereof; For those reasons already given, it is very difficult to have the *Ascendant* at the time of the \odot , we must therefore the more adhere to the sign of the \odot , and the \odot it self, *Iohannis Escuidus* fol. 16. informs us, that *Conjunctio duarum infortunarum in libra, significat guerras, & si Iovis testificatur eis significat malum evenire nobilibus & lascivis*; The *Conjunction* of \odot and \odot , viz. the two infortunes in *Libra* signifieth Wars, and if \odot have any testimony with them, there will some evil come from the Nobility, and such as are lascivious.

To apply it to this present discourse, I understand it thus, that this *Conjunction* hath such correspondence with those of

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⊙ and ♃, &c. aforesaid, by which is signified the indeavours of our principal Rulers and Magistrates to act and perform matters of good concernment, for the reformation of some *Errors* lately exercised, (but formerly prohibited) both in Church and State; but that some self-ended persons, and they of principal esteem and credit with, and in the counsell of Kings, Rulers, &c. may subtly indeavour by strong opposition to prohibit those good intents of their Superiours, for which there will arise much dissention, combustion, &c. if not war.

And observe with me, that as the ⊙ who as it were prohibits the ♂ of ♂ with ♀, is conjoynd to ♂ in the first decade of the sign ♊ which according to *Io. Angelus* and others is proper to the ♀ and significat *justiciam, jus, & veritatem, retrahendi fortes malos a debilibus, adjuvandi miseros & pauperes, (i. e.)* signifieth Justice, Law and Truth, and the retracting of strong evill from the weak, and helping the poor and miserable, and then to ♀ in the second decade of ♊ which according to the author aforesaid, signifyeth, *quietudinem, ubertatem, & bonam vitam, quietam & securem, (i. e.)* quietness, fruitfullness, and a good secure and quiet life, so it may be from

from hence conjectured that such will be the care and prudence of the principal Rulers and Magistrates that are hereby concerned, that they perceiving those pernicious intents and purposes, that are or may be agitated by some men of principal quality, that are signified by this Conjunction of ♄ and ♂ , and during its effects, that he or they (viz. such more noble spirited men of authority) I say will retract and prohibit those evil purposes, or secret and pernicious consultations, portended by this malevolent ♄ of ♄ and ♂ , and let their people and subjects more at liberty, wherein they may enjoy more peace and happiness, relief and content than otherwise might have been expected.

For if you observe further with me, the face or decanate wherein this last ♄ viz. of ♄ and ♂ doth happen; *Tertia facies est Iovis, & est gulositatis, sodomitatis, cavationum, hilaritatis, & sequendi malos sapores, (i. e.)* the third face of *Libra* is *Jupiters*, and signifies gluttony, uncleanness, singing, mirth, and following of evil savours, viz. though these wicked Counsellors may under pretence of Religion and honesty, glut and glory themselves in such wicked consultations as shall, as it were,

were stink in the nostrils both of God and man; yet if we may give credit to *Io. Angelus* his *Motto* of that degree of the sign wherein this ☿ happens, viz. 22. ♌, represented by *Equi duo sellati*, viz. two horses bridled and saddled; *homo multum appetens sed parum adipiscens*, it denotes such as desire much, but gain or produce little, though they may prepare and endeavour much for the prosecution of their purposes, yet little or nothing can come to effect, though some dissention, &c. may come thereon, but God hath purposed, and his instruments the stars do portend better things; *Surge O Domine & lura, &c.*

Although the *Iudgement* aforesaid hath most reference, and may most properly be applied to the aforesaid plotters & contrivers of mischief against the Governours and government, as well here in *England*, as in several other places and Nations of *Europe*; yet I say it hath likewise signification, and denotes the effects of those secret and self-ended consultations, that may be fostered in the breasts of some of the principal men, (Magistrates,) &c. in those places subject to the influence of this *Conjunction*; some perhaps may object against the verity of

this Iudgement, as deduced from such slender foundations or principles, as are foregoing, I answer, I only made use of them to confirm, and not to build my Iudgement on, knowing they are dubitable, as many other things in Astrology are; however let Time the Father of truth determine the controversie, and judge of the verity or, &c. of my Iudgement.

I proceed, Haly in his book *de Iudiciis Astror.* fol. (*mihi*) 145. *Quando Mars junctus fuerit cum Saturno, faciet unus alteri fraudes & deceptiones. & accidet in hominibus percussiones & vulnera, maxime si fuerit in signo humano, & accidet regi impedimentum & labor per hominem qui erit de terra, quæ est de partitione illius signi in quo junguntur;* that is, when Mars is joyned to Saturn, one man will use fraud and deceit to another, and seek to intrap them, there will happen among men wounds, fightings, slaughters, &c. especially if the Conjunction happen in an airy sign, (as here it is, and the most principal of that Trigon) there will happen some impediment to the King or danger from a man of that Countrey subject to the division of that sign wherein they are joyned.

Both sign and constellation are of those termed

termed humane, as I noted before, therefore we may probably conjecture that this Judgement of *Haly* will take place to purpose, viz. such collenages, cheats, notorious robberies both by Sea and Land, inhumane murders, massacres, dissensions, quarrellings both at home and abroad; I say these enormities are likely to happen in an extraordinary manner, and with more subtlety and craft, and under pretence of, and by such persons as carry a seeming honesty and justness, by as fair pretences as may be, as have not usually happened, (or not so frequently) after these *Conjunctions*, nay, I may add further, that many of these cheats, robberies, &c. will be exercised by many familiar acquaintances, and pretending friends, who shall be least suspected of such matters.

As for what impediment may happen to the King, &c. as *Haly* mentions, I only say, Ξ hath some signification of *Spain*, and the *Austrian* family, &c. God bless our Lord Protector and the honourable Magistrates of this Common-wealth, and let all those Kings and Rulers, whom it may concern, beware of treacherous or fraudulent treaties or fair pretences of friendship from such as are at present, or

Great robberies by Sea and Land, murders, &c. pretended.

These villainies will be acted by familiars, and pretending friends.

may be during the effects of this Conjunction, in hostility to them.

But Iohannes Escuidus, (who writes more fully of these things from the ancients) informs us, when there happens a Conjunction of the superiour Planets, or an Eclipse &c in \cap , significat quod apparent in civitatibus & regionibus, in quibus dominantur leges prophetarum & decreta eorum, pueritudo corporum hominum, fabricatio domorum orationis, & servientes earum, cum largitate eorum & iusticia, & equitate, & acceptione & donatione, cum usu Arithmetica & Geometria, & cum gaudio, cantu & melodia & delectatione, & letitia, & cum multitudine pecunia, & edificabunt homines civitates, domos & viridaria & loca amœna, & obscurabitur aer successive, & erunt multi venti in quarta vernali, & multi venti calidi & venenosi in quarta Estivâ. & Equaliter erit in quarta autumnali & mediocriter in quarta hyemali, & cum fuerit gradus ascendens aliquorum temporum predictorum, aut aliquis locus quem predixi in tertia prima libra, aut pervenerit ibidem profectio aut directio, significat bonum aeris complexionem, & similiter in tertia secunda & ultima tertia, & si fuerit in septentrionalibus ejus partibus, significat flatum ventorum, in merid. partibus multitudinem nebularum; in English thus, or to
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his purpose, in those places under the dominion or signification of \equiv , there will appear the Laws and Decrees of Prophets, the adorning or beautifying of mens bodies, the framing of houses or places for worship, and such matters as are thereunto belonging, with their bounty, justice, equity, &c: with the use of Arithmetick and Geometry, men will build houses, &c. in the most delicious and pleasant places, the aire is successively obscure, there will be many winds in the spring, hot and venomous or pestilent winds in the Summer of an equal temperature in the autume, indifferent in the winter, generally in all the parts of this sign there happens a good complexion or constitution of the aire, and if these things happen in the septentrional part of this sign, it signifies greater blasts of winds, (thus he.)

That this is the sign of this *Conjunction*, I have informed you already, and what *Kingdomes* and places are subject to those *events*, I shall shew you in the *Sequel*, that which is here to be understood from the judgement aforesaid is, that as there happens a *Conjunction* of

Libra signifies Religion, Justice, &c.

Some new sects or controversies in religion appear.

Much fraud and deceit from men pretending honesty and ability.

these two malevolent Planets in this sign, which according to Ptolomy hath most principall signification of Religion, justice, and matters Ecclesiasticall; So we may expect according to the words of the Author aforesaid, much controversy, dissention, and sharp disputes in and about Religion, the appearance of some new sect or opinion, who may divide and separate themselves from the more Orthodox Profession thereof, and frame and erect to themselves some particular places of worship, where they may use those formes of Godliness, though not in the power and purity thereof; and as ♀ hath principall dominion in the sign, so will men be inclined to voluptuousness, to trim and adorn their bodies, and other delights, though to their injury and prejudice; and I verily believe, that during the effects of this Conjunction, their will be more fraud and deceit used among men, pretending sanctity, honesty, and having sufficient shew of worth and abillity, than perhaps hath been formerly used, or is at present expected; As to the temperature of the ayre from hence, our
Temperature of the aire.

Author

Author informs us, there will be great winds generally, and those very hurtfull in the Summer, and more powerfull and strong, if there happen any Conjunction in the septentrional part thereof, as this doth.

And the reason is very clear; for *si fuerit in signo aereo, significat multitudinem ventorum; Meßal.* If these Conjunctions &c. happen in airey signes, it signifieth a multitude of windes.) According to the Iudgement of all, the airey Trigon operates most powerfully upon the aire, and causeth greater mutations than other signes; *Leoviti* and others say, that the airey Trigon prenotes high and stormy winds, blasting the corn, and bringing death, if not famine, causing most violent and pernicious sicknesses in the body of man, blowing down trees by the roots, and many houses from their foundation; and the reason I say is, the asterisme or constellation coarising with that whole sign is π , in which all or most of those fixed stars therein, are of the nature of Mercury and Venus, or Mercury and Mars, and some of Mercury and ζ , *unde secundum Hali, Mercurius vincit in toto signo virginis, Escuidus, fol. 37.* from whence according to the Iudgement of *Haly* (upon *Ptolomy*)

Mercury overcometh in the whole sign of ♊ , and *Mercury* where, and at what time he hath dominion, he stirreth up more plentifull and strong winds, than generally the rest of the planets; seeing therefore that this \odot happens in a sign of that Triplicity, and is near divers fixed stars of the nature of *Mars* and *Mercury*, and especially that eminent star called *Spica virginis*, which hath also somewhat of the nature of *Venus*, according to *Escuidus*, 37. from hence we may probably conjecture, and it may be expected there will be a very uncertain and as unseasonable a temperature of the aire generally, hurtfull both to the body of man, and the fruits of the Earth; very high winds, abundance of rain, especially in the Winter and Spring, pestilentiall and pernicious in the Summer. If you consider the place of the *Conjunction* at the new Moon presently subsequent, you shall find it happens in the 9th. *Nona domus est itinerum, & significat longas peregrinationes, fidem, & Religionem, sapientiam, scientiam, & prescientiam rerum, viz. voyages by Sea, Iourneys by Land, Religion, Faith, Wisdom, all Sciences, and the knowledge of future things, dreams, &c.* and when there happens a *Conjunction*, &c. in this house according

cording to *Albumaz*, 7: *de mag. Con. dis.*
 9. significat quod apparebunt in regionibus &
 Civitatibus, quarum significationes sunt illius
 signi, multa Egritudines, & mors, considerati
 in scientiis divinis, & in philosophicis, & in
 Astronomia, & prophetia, & ingeniis, & in
 operibus manualibus, cum multis itineribus, &
 permutatione & validitate ventorum, that is,
 death and many sicknesses, the considera-
 tion of divine, Philosophical and inge-
 nious Sciences in *Astronomy* and *Prophecy*,
 &c. as also in manual operations, with
 many journeys, and the often variation
 and strength of winds, shall appear chief-
 ly in those places subject to that sign;
 hence we may conjecture both from rea-
 son, and the judgement and experience of
 the ancients, that there will be much
 danger by Sea as well by pyracie and
 robberies, as by boysterous winds, which
 cause often shipwracks, &c. much robbe-
 ry by Land to those who have occasion
 to make long Journeys therein. and men
 may be inclined to study or consider in
 various sciences, as well Religion as
 others, although I fear to no good end
 and purpose, viz. rather to occasion un-
 necessary disputes in some, much dissen-
 tion in others, much fraud and deceit in
 many.

And

And certainly these things are likely, and in all probability will appear more vigorously from the effect of these Conjunctions, viz. of Sun and ☿, ☉ and ♃, and ♃ and Mars, all which Conjunctions happens in the Equinoctial sign ♈, which as I said before, and according to the Judgement of Escuid. fol. 21. *signa Equinoctialia significant accidens contingere in sanctuariis, sacris religionibus, Oratoriis, & officii Dei sicut in legibus divinis.* (i. e.) Equinoctial signes do signifie such matters as happen in Religion, in holy things and places, and of the worship of God, and Laws divine.

Many things will be acted both by Kings, Rulers, and People by pretence of friendship and religious sanctity, but there happens breach of leagues and treaties among Princes, much dissention among Rulers and Governours, much fraud and hipocrisie among the Commonalty; for notwithstanding the benevolent signification of the sign; yet when we consider the nature of the Planets conjoynded, which we are advised to by Ptol. Haly, &c. vid. Esc. Cap. 8. Distinct. 4. viz. ♃ and ☿, *Quum Saturnus & Mars dominantur simul, aut quum unus eorum gubernat,*

beruat, aut aspiciat se cum alio, demonstrat ex
 hoc lites & guerras hominum extraneorum,
 captivitates & res fortes & magnas (i. e.)
 when Saturn and Mars bear rule together,
 or one of them, &c. from hence is de-
 monstrated or shewed wars and strifes
 from strangers, captivities and great and
 mighty things are brought to pass, so that
 I say that the evil of the planets conjoyn-
 ed do remit the good signified by the
 sign, &c.

But for the more particular distinc-
 tion of the Effects, we are advised (and
 with good reason) to consider that Plan-
 et who hath most dominion, whether
 it be a greater or lesser Coniunction, E-
 clipse, annual Revolution, &c. *Scito quod*
fortior eorum fit significator, qui si fuerit malus,
tribulationem & impedimentum, si fortuna, sig-
nificabit fortunam, Messah de Mag. Coniunct.
 know saith he, that planet that is strongest
 shall be the chief significator, who if he
 be of evil nature shall signify much tribu-
 lation and detriment, if he be a fortune,
 he signifies good, &c. he goeth farther,
Scito quod si hi planetae fuerint in Exaltationi-
bis suis, significat bonum & temporis aptatio-
nem & multitudinem bellorum, Commotionis,
& ostentionem miraculorum, (i. e.) if these
 Planets be in their Exaltations, it signi-
 fierh

heth good, the fitness of time, yet there will be much war and Commotion, and the shewing of wonders, *sed si fuerit in descensionibus suis, significat detrimentum, corruptionem, siccitatem, famem, nisi fuerint fortunati*, but if they be in their depressions or falls, they signifie great detriment, corruption, drought, famine, or great scarcity, unless they be otherwise fortunate.

It seems to me somewhat dubious which of these Planets shall have most dominion in this Coniunction, for if we observe them barely at the Coniunction, viz. in the place where they are conioyned, we shall find ♃ in his Exaltation, and ♂ in his fall, so that as ♃ is essentially dignified, and Mars depressed, we might from thence judge ♃ to have most dominion, and the rather for that in the ♂ of the ☉ and ♂, and of ☉ with himself, he hath the like dominion, and in respect of his more Northern latitude is said to be elevated above them both; *Quando Saturnus elevatur supra Martem significat bonum & melioramentum. Hely pars 8. Cap. 23. (i. e.)* when Saturn is elevated above Mars he hath the better signification, but Ioh. Escuidus from Albumazar hath it more fully and significantly; fol.

30. *Saturnus super Martem elevatus in libra,* significat odium inter reges, temperantia aeris cum paucitate frigoris, (i. e.) Saturn elevated above Mars in Libra, signifieth enmity and hatred among Kings &c. the ayre will be temperate & there will be a remission of cold, *Super solem, multa siccitas, & fames in pluribus terris, cum superfluitate pluviae tempore suo, & mors puerorum,* when he is elevated above the Sun, he signifieth much drought, famine or scarcity in many Countries; there will be abundance of Rain in its Season, the death of Children, these are the judgments of the ancients when Saturn is elevated only over those Planers.

But whether ♄ or Mars shall have chief and sole dominion is the question, for the Resolving of which I say, that notwithstanding ♄ his essentiall dignity, his elevation &c. whereby a moderate artist would judge that much of his evil is prohibited; yet I observe that ♄ is wholly passive in both the ☿ of ☉ and with Mars, as being applyed to and wholly afflicted by both; and that in an extraordinary manner, and that at the sublequent luration he hath such principal dominion in the Angles of

of the figure, and the lunation it self as sole Ruler thereof, as also of the subsequent tropical ingress, viz. in December following.

And that in the dominion of the quarterly ingresses, and those 3 visible Eclipses of the luminaries, happening the next year, especially that of the ☉ in November following, viz. 1569. He viz. Mars carrieth the cheif dominion I say, from whence I conclude (but with humble submission to the more Grave and sober judgements of the more learned and judicious of this science) that those enorminities naturely signified by him will be more apparent and vigorous &c. And although he be yet (viz at the lunation) in combustion, yet the ☉ recedes from him, and he is no sooner fully separated from the Rayes or beames of ♄ his Conjunction, but he gets into m his own house or dignity, where he can execute his influence to purpose; and if this be not Reason sufficient, then know that at what time he makes his Crises (if I speak not improperly) viz. Transits the ☐ and opposite places of his Conjunction, (as well with the rest asforesayd, as) with Saturn; and meets also with those as-
pects

pects of the sayd planets; In severall of
 which places, he finds, such power and
 dignity, as I fear me will make us sen-
 sible of his effects and dominion, that
 which I observe generally from this
 passive Conjunction of Saturn and Mars,
 where Saturn is essentially dignified by
 Exaltation, is only thus much, that as
 Saturn as now posited and dignified,
 having more signification of some an-
 cient famous buildings, families, and per-
 sons of the highest degree, and more sober
 and judicious consultations among the
 Rulers of severall Common-wealths,
 &c. And is thus afflicted first by a Con-
 junction with the Sun, then with Mars,
 it may well denote the like detriment &
 prejudice to happen to all such persons,
 matters and consultations, as Naturally
 are signified by Saturne by such persons,
 &c. as are represented by ☉ & Mars,
 viz. by the publique magistrates of those
 Kingdomes &c. as are hereby con-
 cerned, as also by wars, commotions,
 fire, thefts, murthers, rash and pernicious
 counsels and actions, and as ♄ is Lord
 of the ascendant which particularly sig-
 nifies the Common people, is thus afflict-
 ed, and both he and Mars in ☐ to the
 ascendant, the ♀ also who is the gene-
 rall

rall significatrix of the commonality, separates from both these (unfortunate) infortunes, and applyes after her combustion with ☉ to ☿ of ♀ (who is most perniciously posited and afflicted, viz. by Retrogradation and combustion,) and then to a quartile sinister of ♃ who is partly Lord of the 2d. ♃ also having dominion therein ; these are too plain and certaine testimonies of those sad discontents, losses, hardships and poverty that many of the people will be subject to during the effects of this conjunction through want of trade, (for ☿ is Lord of the 10.) hard taxes, or irregular and illegall impositions from their superiours, or some under whose subjection they may be, according to the capacity and custome or constraint of those places that are subject to the influence of this Conjunction, and as the industrious Merchant is a part of the subjects or people and are represented by those significators aforesaid, and receive this affliction from the 9. viz. The place of voyages, Traffiques, &c. by Sea, so will he unexpectedly receive great damages and losses by Sea, partly by tempestuous weather, & as frequently and powerfully, by robberies, pyracies, wars, fraud, &c.

I also much fear that as the 9th. house hath signification of Religion, and the worship of God, of which the ancients have spoken somewhat, and I have formerly recited in the Iudgements foregoing; So I say 'tis to be much feared that in those places, where the more Orthodox and Protestant Religion is kept in restraint, and exercised with great fear, there happens some more than ordinary restraint, they will assuredly be in much fear, and undergo much discontent and trouble, if no worse evil befall them, as *Massacres*. &c.

Divers are the Aphorismes, rules, &c. the ancients have left us of Mars his signification when he hath dominion, &c. *Orig. fol. 518. si Mars fuerit dominator solus, aut cum aliis non prorsus exclusus a dominio, significat bella & seditiones; biliosum namq; humorem in hominibus excitat, ut levi de causa, in iras, contentiones, jurgia & bella irrum- pant; (i. e.) if Mars have dominion alone, or is not altogether excluded from dominion with others, he stirs up wars and seditions, for he exciteth the cholerick humour in men, so that upon light occasions they proceed to wrath, contentions, quarrels and wars; Anni quibus Mars dominatur, sunt anni quibus excitantur bellorum*
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motus,

motus, seditiones & similes Calamitates, the years wherein *Mars* ruleth are such wherein there appeareth motion of wars, seditions, and such like Calamities, hence from these brief Aphorismes we may gather that there is like to be much contention, strifes, disturbances, &c. if not wars, *Haly* informs us that these calamities shall happen, *ex conditione loci in quo est*, from the condition of the place in which *Mars* is, he is here in the 9th. both sign and house denote much disturbances about Religion, &c. but *Ptolomy* is more large upon the signification of a Planet that is Ruler, which *Escuidustol.* 25. applies to the ruling Planet in *Conjunctions*, which being too tedious in the Latin, I shall only relate in English, and as I find it very significantly by *Mr. Lilly* in his brief treatise of Eclipses wherein is generally contained the summe of all.

What

Mars signifies when he is ruler or sharer in Dominion.

When *Mars* shall have dominion, whether it be Eclipse, Conjunction, &c. he is the stirrer up of wars, seditions, tumults, insurrections, rebellion of subjects against their Superiours, the frown, austerity and indignation of Princes towards their subjects, and for this reason, unexpected slaughters, imprisonments, banishment, the besieging and taking of Towns, and these

these most frequently when he is in a humane sign, viz. the events pertaining to men; there will also be great robberies, thefts, rapines, murthers, Law-suits, duels, &c. in the body of man, he stirs up choler, acute feavours, corruption of bloud, violent and pernicious diseases, with suddain and violent accidents, causing suddain death to young men especially; souldiers will be apt to mutiny, and make combustion, whereby there happens many man-slaughters, firing of houses, &c. in the aire he causeth great corruption by his excess of heat and drynesse, produceth extraordinary foultry blasts, strong, pestilentiall and infectious winds, great heat, Thunder, lightning, whirlwinds, great drought, fiery Apparitions in the ayr, or other strange sights and apparitions, in the sea he causeth great Shipwracks by reason of storms and impetuous blasts, in Rivers he causeth great abatement or dries them up, corrupts the waters, and causeth putrefaction therein; he corrupts the fruits of the Earth and destroys them, causing a scarcity of grain and such other necessities for the body of man, partly by excessive heat, and partly by intemperate blasts and showers, and much of that

which is layd up and preserved he many times destroy by fire, usually he excites mens minds to great rashness, to quarrels, and to all manner of evill, as thefts, murders, &c. and causeth great dissensions among kindred, &c.

This is the general signification of *Mars*, where and when he hath dominion, and verely I do believe we shall in some measure be greatly sensible of many of the Iudgements aforesaid during the effects of this Coniunction; though perhaps (and I hope) not in so powerfull or plentiful measure, as if he were more powerfull; and I am the rather induced to believe that much of his malevolency may be abated, and his violence be appeased, seeing *Venus*, who disposeth of both *Saturn* and *Mars*, separates from a trine of *Jupiter*, and applies by * to both ♄ and *Mars*, certainly were it not for that treacherous and deceitfull (Retrograde) Coniunction of ♄ with \odot , and after with *Mars* in the beginning of *m*, viz. such lying, croas informations, pernicious petitions, &c. dangerous and wicked counsels; there might be great hope of the mitigation of these evils in sundry respects, or that by leagues, treaties of peace, &c. there might be much reconciliation, &c.

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But Album. lib. 2. de mag. Conjunct Mars cum fuerit in ♌ , significat multas larrones & timores & rumores terribiles, uors & infortunia in hominibus, specialiter in meretrici parte, cum paucitate pluviarum & nebularum, & si fuerit latitudo septentrionalis significat multitudinem ventorum incessanter, (i.e.) when Mars is in *Libra*, and hath dominion in any Conjunction, &c. he signifies many thieves and publick robberies, terrible fears and rumours, death and divers misfortunes shall happen among men, especially in the Southern parts; A scarcity of rain and mylts, but if his latitude be North, as here it is, there will be a multitude of tempestuous winds; *sub Radiis siccum aerem facit si matutinus turbationem & Tonitrua facit: Haly sup. Ptol.* if he be under the Sun-beams, he maketh the ayre to be very dry, if oriental many troubles, and much thunder.

This malevolent Planet Mars hath all these passions at this Conjunction, from whence we may expect without the great mercy, and the over-ruling power of God, many or most of these evils to ensue, though in a divers measure, in divers places, and at some certain times, of which anon.

And since *Saturn* cannot be wholly excluded from having some dominion and

great signification by reason of his dignity where he is, and also in the figure of the new Moon, postventional, and that during this autumnal quarter, and that of the winter following, wherein you shall find he hath very great dominion, and wherein we shall be most sensible of his effects, I say it is therefore but rational we should allow (and declare his significations, which as it is also the same with *Ptolomy* and the ancients as mentioned by *Escuidus*, fol. 23. Cap. 1. dist. 4th. I shall repeat from the prescription of that afore said discourse of *Mr. Lilly* in his book of Eclipses, &c.

What Saturn signifies when he hath Dominion as aforesaid.

Know then that when he bears rule, he causeth in the body of man generally long and tedious infirmities, as Consumptions, Defluxions of rheume, decay of the hypostatical principles (by which the whole man is naturally preserved,) Quattane Agues, &c. banishment, poverty, misery, vain fears and instability to happen to many, especially men of years. In the World in general he denotes a scarcity of Cattel, especially such as are most necessary for the food of man, as also of corn, and other provision by which a dearth or famine is to be expected; in the aire he causeth great corruption

tion by his excessive of cold; the aire is dark, cloudy, much snow or rain, and many times great frosts; In the Sea he prenotes many Shipwracks by bitter storms and tempests, difficult and dangerous Voyages; Inundations of waters by breaking of their banks or bounds, generally there is a scarcity of all things, so that many perish by famine, &c. fruits are destroyed by the multitude of Caterpillars, grasse and hay by great floods, beasts by the untimely getting in of provisions, and the corruption of the food they eat; There happens also much rancour and malice among men, and Riff Law-suits do rage and continue among the vulgar and Countrey people.

These are those evils portended by *Saturn*, in which we may observe that whether he or *Mars* have dominion, they denote many and great calamities to ensue, of which those of h in my Iudgement will be most apparent in the autumnal quarter, and winter following, but those of *Mars* in the Summer, &c. and more especially during the effects of those Eclipses, aforesaid, whose influence and effects are cooperating with this Conjunction.

But further you may hear what effects he will have, as he is posited in his Exaltation, if we may credit the Iudgement of the Ancients, *Saturnus cum fuerit Aequidistans librae accident hominibus dolores cordium & ventrum & Egritudines febrium, cum incessante flatu ventorum & bonam commistionem aeris, sed Paucitatem panis & vini. si latitudo septentrionalis ejus, significat multum flatum ventorum. sub Radius, infirmitates occultas infert, maturus frigidus & siccos ventos. (i. e.)*

Saturn where he shall be in any part of *Libra*, there happens to men griefs of the heart and belly, and leavoursish distempers, with vehement and pestiferous blasts of wind: (You may observe that generally in all their significations, they portend intemperate winds, especially in the spring and winter, &c.) scarcity of bread and wine, and if his latitude be North, they are the more suddain and strong, if he be combust, or under the Sun beams, he bringeth more occult and secret infirmities, if oriental he produceth the more cold and dry winds.

Thus you see that whether *Saturn* or *Mars* have dominion, (both of whose influence we shall be sensible, I do believe during the Effects of the Conjunction,) there

there is much of Evill intended and threatned to happen in severall partes of the world, and that of divers Natures; and though those of δ may be more sudden and violent; yet η with more secrecy and deliberation will operate powerfully, and whatsoever is signified by either, whether in Generali as to mundane affayres, or in the mutation of the ayr, or particularly to the bodys and affaires of mankind, they will variously operate, and suddainly change from one habit to another according to the disposition of these planets, at severall times; during the continuance of their Effects,

I need not further relate what *Haly*, *Bonatus*, &c. do say of these planets their position in the 9th. It being in effect what already hath been delivered, (Notwithstanding according to that of *Cardane*. *Repetition in Astrology cannot be avoyded*), viz. much prejudice and damage by Sea by Piracies, Wars, Shipwracks, &c. Commotions with and about Religious men and matters.

I only adde that of *Hermes* propos. 34. *Centiloq.* the temperateness of the ayr happens from the Conjunction of \odot and Δ , especially when they happen in aery signes,

signes, but from the \odot of h \odot and \odot especially in double bodied signes, and in the spring, there proceeds obscurity of the ayr, and usually after such Conjunctions many infirmities followe.

From whence we may observe that in the Conjunction of v with \odot is cooperating with this of h and *Mars*, it may somewhat mitigate those Evills thereby signified, as well in other Concernments as in the constitution of the ayr: and though these Conjunctions of \odot and \odot and h &c. happen not in double bodied signes, according to the observation or prescription of *Hermes*, yet it being a Cardinall sign, and of the aery Triplicity, there is likely to happen as great darkness, and intemperateness of the ayr; neither will those infirmities thereby signified, be the less powerfull or Apparent;

There is one Aphorism more of the same Author, viz. 33. When Saturn transits out of one sign into another, there usually happens fiery meteors, or other Appearances in the ayr of the Nature of fire.

Not long after the time of the Conjunction of these two planets, they both pass into the sign m , h by Retrogradati-

on not long after comes into the same sign
 viz. ♌ again, and almost transits by his
 retrogradation the place where he con-
 joined with ☿, & was at the new moon
 following, and then by direction moves
 out of that sign, into ♍ again; So that ac-
 cording to the judgment of *Hermes*, we
 may expect some such Apparitions in the
 yrs; and verily I am perswaded, that by
 Reason of these fixed Starres, that are of
 the nature of ☿ and ♀ and that these
 planets have also dominion in the seve-
 all Configurations, transits (viz. In-
 penses) &c. that do happen in the enlu-
 ing year; and that by Reason of the dis-
 position of the sign of the Conjunction,
 there will certainly happen many cor-
 ruptions, and strange appearances, if not
 some comet or new Star &c. and those
 especially when *Mars* shall have the do-
 minion, yet not rejecting the aforesayd
 observation of *Hermes*, of the transmuta-
 tion of ♄ from one sign to another; and
 this have I collected from the Iudge-
 ments, and prescription of the Ancients,
 (as well as delivered my own concepi-
 ons) of the kinds and qualites of the
 Events portended by these Conjunctions,
 correspondences &c. of the superiour
 planets, whether good or ill, yet do
 freely

*Appariti-
ons, &c.*

freely acknowledg that God by his over-
 ruling power, may mitigate the Evil,
 and frustrate our hopes of the good here-
 by signified, or as we are but humane
 Creatures, of very imperfect judgment
 and understanding may be mistaken in
 our Iudgments, yet (according to that of
Cardane, cum superioribus nunquam iudicia
de rebus parvis facies, (i. e.) never judge
 triviall matters to ensue from the con-
 figurations of the superiour Planets) as
 these Configurations, &c. do happen in
 such principall places, &c. we must assu-
 redly expect as notable Transactions, the
 quality whereof I have in the proceeding
 discourse informed you;

The next thing considerable is,

The

*The time when the Events
shall appear.*

THE time of the Events is to be taken generally, or more particularly: Generally as to the time of the whole duration, and as they are augmented or diminished by subsequent Configurations, but more particularly as to the Transits and Aspects of the Planets themselves.

It is a maxime, according to that of Cardan segm. 2. Aphor. 63. *operationes planetarum nunquam cessant, donec contraria a planeta vel stella fixa, aut signi parte contraria qualitatis impediuntur, vel in solis Radios incidunt*; The operations of the Planets never cease untill they are impeded by a contrary Planet or fixed star, or from part of the sign of contrary quality, or when they fall into combustion, viz. into the rays of the Sun.

These Planets viz. ♀ and ♂ as I shew'd before are yet under the Sun-beams, viz. at the new Moon, but as the Sun is
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separating from them, so after some little time from the ☿ will the effects be more manifest, notwithstanding they are now more obscure, and matters are yet as if were in consultation and preparing, and that with as much subtlety as secrecie, and as ☉ departs much sooner from ♄ than from ☿, by reason of their different diurnal motion, so will those Effects and matters signified by ♄ be first apparent or manifest to the World; after which those of ☿ by degrees will take place, and by reason of that manner of prohibition by combustion, as was noted before, there may be some hopes that much of the evil intended otherwise by the Conjunction, especially in matters of State and pollicie will be mitigated by the prudence of those Rulers, Magistrates, &c, of those places subject to the influence of the Conjunction, if they are not too much sway'd by pernicious Counsell and deceitfull, for ♄ hath great dominion of the Sun at his Conjunction with him, and ☿ disposeth of ☉ at the new Moon following.

Besides the dominion of both those Planets at the Lunation, and the subsequent ingress of ☉ into ♍ in December following.

following, and having such share in dominion in those several Configurations, Ingresses, &c. in the following year (of which I shall have occasion to speak by and by) I am induced to believe and judge that their influence will not be so much prohibited for the future, as they may be retarded for the present, by reason of their being *sub Radiis*.

What hopes of better success may be expected from their benevolent Aspects mutually one to another, or by any other contrary Configurations; I shall in the sequell inform you, wherein we are to note chiefly that general rule, that the effects of any of these Conjunctions continue in force, but till another shall happen, and certainly (for the time) these Conjunctions of the unfortunate Planets are little less considerable than those lesser Conjunctions of ♀ and ♃, which are subordinate to their Transmutations from one Triplicity to another, which are more properly called their great or greater Conjunctions, and do only happen once in almost 200 years since these of ♀ and ♂, I say happen most frequently in the several signes of the Zodiac successively, and that once in two years

*Vide Lillys
Propheti-
cal Merline
pag. 52.*

years (or thereabouts;) by which men's Inclinations and affections are more suddenly excited, and matters more suddenly prepared to action, whether it be good or ill according to their various significations &c.

This Conjunction of J and *Mars*, must continue in force till the 24. or 25. of *October* Anno 1660. at what time they come to make another \odot in the sign m and although \odot and J do usually make \odot or meet every year once, yet by Reason of the more swifter motion of \odot the \odot cannot come to his Conjunction, but once in 2. years also, therefore for the distinction of time of their Effects operating, I shall consider those things that are proper to both, first more generally as to the severall ingresses, Eclipses &c. together with the more particular transits therein happening &c.

In *May* last there happened a non visible Eclipse, in which respect, (Notwithstanding the place of this Conjunction is in perfect \square to the mid Heaven, and \odot then to the place of \odot his Conjunction with J ; in \square To his place where he conjoyned with J , which correspondencies may be significant to those remote places

places, when that Ecclips was visible, and its Effects, now operating) It is inconsiderate to our present purpose.

At the Autumnall Ingress, viz. September. 12th. 12. h. 10. m. *Post meridiem*; (that is about one hour sooner than commonly received; or computed by those Theoriques extant; though agreeable to such a theory as agreeth more alterately to observation, of which more by and by,) who well observes the figure of heaven may abundantly see its correspondency with all those Conjunctions before recited, from whence we may conclude and judge that the influence of those Conjunctions preceding, and those subsequent this Ingress should in some measure operate and be apparent this Autumnall quarter, but when I observe that at the time of the ingress, the ☽ separates from * ☉, is in ☿ with ♃ and * ☿, the ☉ also applying to * of ♃, who also applyeth to * ☿, ♃ then posited in the Ascendant, methinks I have cause to hope their malevolency might be either retarded, or mitigated, and that we should generally be promised fair during this quarter, yet let us observe what shall happen towards the latter end it

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posteriore,
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ments are,
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that great
fire in
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London.
etc. Octo-
ber. 23.

October. * at what time δ transits the
place of \odot , at his Conjunction with
 h .

At the Tropicall Ingress December. 11.
45. m. circ. P. M. The Angles of the figure
are Cardinal; denoting some notable,
and sudden transactions to ensue; where-
in you may observe, that the place of the
Conjunction of \odot and h , and of h and
 δ do fall very nere the cusp of the 7th. fal-
ling into the 6th. the cusp of the 4. is the
place of δ his δ with v , and in \square to
that of \odot and δ ; h is posited in the 7th.
posteriore, and lord of the 10th. at the Ingress; δ
as many of Lord of the ascendant, upon the cusp. of
the 8. with a star of his own nature;
To whom the D next applyes by δ ; the
 \odot upon the very M. C. transits the δ
place of the δ of δ and v ; and then,
viz. at the latter end of December and be-
ginning of January, the \square places of the
 δ of \odot h and \odot δ and δ to his δ with
 v , from all which we may expect the
powerfull operations of these configura-
tions in this winter quarter, wherein
those of h and δ are most apparent, and
that not long after the sayd Ingress; there
will happen much discontent among the
people, especially in the Western parts,
quarrellings, Combuitions, if not
slaughter;

slaughter; much dissention among the Rulers and Magistrates as well here as in remote parts; much Robbery, boystrous winds, and unseasonable weather, causing much danger at Sea, &c. Tedious infirmities especially of the nature of h_2 , and greater mortallity of men of ripe yeers, viz. at the state of manhood; \odot his aspect to h_2 by \square about the 9. of *Ianuary*, Nere the new moon, as it causeth a distemperature of ayr for the most part of that lunation, viz. to the first quarter or in the second week of that same moneth; so certainly is the author of some pernicious Counsels, and debates, among superiours, and points out some losses at sea, toward the Southwest, &c.

Toward the latter end of *Ianuary* J transits the opposite place of his J with V and \square to his J with \odot and the mid heaven at the tropicall Ingress; the \odot in the same moneth is in J to V by aspect, About the middle of *February* J transits the \square place of his J with h_2 , and of \odot with h_2 , and the J place of the Conjunction of \odot and V , and towards the latter end of *February* meets with his first \square with *Saturn*, and at the beginning of *March* with an J of V , about which

times, and from which Configurations, we may expect to hear of great Commo- tions, and disturbances among the supe- rious in severall parts of the world, (among which we in *England* shall have a principall share) with other Enormi- ties of the nature of *Mars*, of which you had some notice in the preceding dis- course, and as he is now essentially dig- nified will sufficiently manifest. In the Moneth of *March* is the vernall *Æquinox*, viz. the Ingress of ☉ into ♈, which Astrologers do make their basis of Iudgment particular to that year.

Fundamentum principale, in revolutionibus annorum mundi, introitus solis in arietem est, porro multa necessaria ad hanc inquisitionem sunt, & scientia multorum experimentorum, & cognitionum speciorum preteritorum tempo- rum & magnarum Eclipsium profectionum- q; the principall ground of Iudging re- volutions of the years of the world, is the Ingress of ☉ into ♈, moreover there are many things necessary to this inquisi- tion, together with the knowledg of many experiments, the consideration of former superiour times elapsed, viz. of great and lesser Conjunctions of Eclip- ses &c. And Guido Bonat. fol. 489. in- formes us, per revolutionem annorum mundi,
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scitur quod in illo anno sit futurum de bono aut malo, utrum annus sit Tranquillus an importunus & utrum fuit guerra futura annon, qualis sit status Regum, principum vel magnatum, similiter & populorum, atque viliū & Religiosorum, etiam unius cujusque in suo esse, uniuscujusq; generis universaliter, secundum hominis ritus, quid de terra nascentibus sit futurum, utrum ex eis abundantia vel penuria expectetur.

By the revolution of the years of the world, is known what accidents shall be in that year whether good or ill, whether peace or wars may be expected, of the state of Kings, Nobles and great men, and also the condition of the people, as well religious as the viler sort, and of every man in his severall condition, and generally of all other such matters and things as belong to man, of the plenty or scarcity of the fruits of the Earth &c.

It is neither my task nor purpose to treat of those things peculiarly proper to the revolution it self, since I doubt not but divers of our annual writers will sufficiently deliver their Judgements according to those foundations they think fit to make use of.

Only since I (not unjustly) conceive the great error of those principles they

are constrained at present to accept and ground their judgments on, & that there will appear a great discrepantie and variation of time, and consequently in the position of Heaven at this Revolution: I have therefore thought it necessary to insert the figure according to such demonstrative principles as I conceive more certain and consentaneous to truth and reason, and agreeable to nature it self, and shall only in generall apply it to our present subiect, according to the sense of the preceding Aphorisme.

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Tables from whence they compute the time of the said ingresse (viz. either of *Longomontanus*, *Kepler*, *Bullialdus*, or our industrious Countrey-man *Vincent VVing*) may, and I suppose do agree much nearer the Heavens than any of the Ancients could; yet it doth not therefore follow they should be so exact, as not to admit of correction and emendation, especially when it may be easily made apparent they do not, neither can agree to the verity of the best observations; certainly then (if it be so) it will be granted and admitted, that it is most proper, and far more safe for any man to accept of such principles for the grounds of his Iudgement, as are most harmonious and agreeable to the truth it self.

And to this purpose I made bold with my loving (and worthy) friend *Mr. Tho. Street*, to give me the time of this ingresse from his most accurate Theory and Tables, which as they are founded upon more harmonious and demonstrative principles than are yet extant, and which (to my knowledge) do agree to about 200. of the choysfest observations, (viz. those of *Tycho*, *Mr. VVhight* and others) in the place of the Sun, so as no other Tables do, (notwithstanding we must

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exceedingly acknowledge our selves oblig'd to those worthy (as well ancient as modern) Astronomers for their great care and industry) I think a sufficient reason for my present assertion, since I hope I may have the same privilege with others, especially wherein it is not so barely an opinion as an apparent truth.

The Calculation as I had it from my friend the Author, I here present you, as it is reduced from the method of his Tables, to our usuall way of operation: *Introitus solis in arietem, ad Temp. Appar. ex Tabularum novar. & accuratissimar Calcul. T. S.*

Midlong. \odot	11. 28. 1. 55.	} March 10 th . 1659. 3 ^h 12 ^m 3. ^{po} mer. T. Ap.
Apog.	3. 6. 42. 34.	
Anom. ver.	8. 21. 19. 21.	
Equat. ad	1. 58. 5.	
Long. ver \odot	\vee 0. 0. 0.	

If you view the Cardinall Ingresses for the year 1651, as they were computed by Mr. Shakerly from Eichstad, Kepler, Bullialdus, and Mr. Horrox, you shall find the last to differ as much from the rest as this of Mr. Street's; which in effect is the same, for if from thence we compute the time (viz. by the Tycho-nick table of revolutions

volutions which in this short intervall of time cannot much deviate from the truth) of this Ingresse by Mr. Horrox his Theory, it is 3^h. 13^m. the same to a minute or not much more variation, which is admirable to consider, notwithstanding I suppose there is some discrepancy in some of the grounds of their *Hypothesis*, this latter being more Physical and Harmonious.

I might abundantly dilate and verifie the truth of these rare discoveries by such suitable Transactions as have been observed to succeed for several preceding years, as notably concurring with the revolutionary figures thereto belonging, but I shall forbear any further digression, and refer my Readers to those demonstrative truths, as I hope ere long will be emitted to their plenary satisfaction.

The position of Heaven being set to the elevation of *London*, we are generally to apply our Iudgement to the affairs of our English Common-wealth, wherein I observe that as ☿ is upon the cusp of the ascendant, viz. *signum commune*, and ♀ Lord thereof in ♈ thereto, the ♄ separating from a Δ of ♊ applying suddainly to ♊ of ♀ in the 7th. denotes that after some serious Consultations, matters are very

very unsettled, especially in the beginning of the year, and the rather because those pernicious Transits and Aspects before recited, may cause such disturbances as perhaps will not very easily be reconcilable, both ♀ and ☿ have signification of the Commonalty, are angular, but otherwise very unhappily posited, denoting much discontent and murmurings among the people; and (though to their prejudice) may produce some sturdy petitions, &c. the ☉ applies to the \triangle of ♃ intimating the great care and prudence of the judicious Magistrates to reconcile and pacifie matters at difference; otherwise I should predict a very untoward year, as the *Pleiades* culminating ☿ in the 10th. ♀ in the 6th. afflicted by the beams of ♂, and in \square to the 10th. denotes (notwithstanding the care and indeavours of the principal Magistrate, or of some in more principal authority to mitigate, as is properly signified by the ☉ his application first to the \triangle of ♃ afore-said, then to * ♂, who separates from an ♂ of ♃.) I say otherwise we might expect much wrangling and controversy among the Superiours, as well in other places as here in *England*; ☿ in the 10th. signifies some plot or treachery against

against the Superiours by the vulgar; the
 ayre also is likely to be as various in its
 constitution, as our affairs, viz. much
 wind and rain, with some suddain storms
 of hail, tempests and corruscations from
 the dominion of δ , &c. the place of the
 Conjunction of η and δ is in the 3d
 viz. under the Earth and Cadent, both
 Planets also *Subterranean*, η by Retro-
 gradation applying towards the place of
 the Conjunction; hence I conceive the
 influence of that Conjunction will ope-
 rate very obscurely, with many secret
 consultations, notwithstanding it may be
 conjectured that notable Transactions
 will suddainly break forth, by reason of
 δ his dominion in the figure, and of those
 violent fixed stars of his nature culmina-
 ring, concerning which something may
 be expected at what time δ comes pre-
 cisely to the \square place of *M. Cali*, viz. to-
 wards the latter end of the moneth, about
 which time \odot comes to the \square place of his
 δ with δ , and of the δ of δ with μ ,
 whence some debates, if not disturban-
 ces will arise; certainly very many are the
 consultations about those times, and mat-
 ters of great concernment are performed
 with very much difficulty, for notwith-
 standing η and δ do make a \triangle aspect
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from humane signes, (from whence some reconciliations might be expected,) ☉ in the first week of *April* meets with an opposition of ♄, and doth then produce a very intemperate season, viz. strong winds, vehement tempests, much rain, and generally an obscure aire, which ☿ by his ☿ to ♄ and ☿ with ☉ will in some measure augment, which Configurations do also produce as obscure counsels, and difficult and serious consultations; the deposing of some from their offices and honours, and the promoting of others ere the moneth be concluded; for ☉ meets with a ☐ of ♃ and * of ♄ in the same moneth, let us observe also what notable Transactions may happen about the beginning of *May*, the ☉ then transiting the cusp of the Mid Heaven, and the *Pleiades* thereon culminating, which accidents shal chiefly concern us in *Engl.* seeing the figure was erected for our *Meridian*, yet certainly if my Iudgement deceive me not, there happens some dissensions or such like casualties amongst our principal Governours in *Ireland*; which the * of ☉ and ♃ towards the latter end of the moneth will I hope again reconcile by the prudence of our Governours here.

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Towards the latter end of this month of May also there happens a transit of δ to the δ place of his δ with \odot and in \square to δ with \sphericalangle , which might produce some considerable transactions, as Wars, fightings by Sea or land; Some commotions, which its possible may be mitigated by his being in \triangle to \sphericalangle at the same time; But that which is most worthy of our consideration, is that about the middle of June δ passeth by the δ place of δ of h the (most principall subject here treated of) meets precisely with and δ of h , he then stationary to direction, having by his long retrogradation almost receded to the place where he conjoyned with Mars, certainly these most principal, Criticall volutions of δ , may well merit our serious observation, and the rather for that at the time of the δ Aspect, the D separates from \triangle of δ , and applies to both these infortunes, and which is worthy of note at the new moon preventionall this δ , (being an angular lutation, and the δ falling in Angles viz. the 10. and 4. as any may perceive by veiwing a figure at the sayd lutation) the D her next application is to a quartile of both these planets, the δ it self also happening nere the first quarter,

ter, from all which notable concurrence
 and correspondencies, of the heavenly bo-
 dyes we may conjecture, (if the overru-
 ling providence of God divert not, or our
 Judgment be mistaken, that there will be
 notable transactions about those times,
 happening in severall parts of the world,
 many hurly burlies, Commotions, Con-
 flicts, Battells, with other dangerous ac-
 cidents pernicious to mankind; And let
 all the private or publique adversaries
 of this Common-wealth, or all such who
 are in hostility with us, whether Dutch,
 French &c. * or any more private conspi- * *For I fear*
 rators, whether in England, Ireland, or a breach of
 Scotland,) take notice, that if from the *league with*
 Effects of the ♂ of ♀ and ♂ they think by *that Nation*
 policy, subtilty, private and pernicious *or some di-*
 Counsels, they may have some oportu- *sturbances*
 nity of advantage against us, or the go- *about this*
 vernment or Governours of the Nation it *time.*
 self, and that either now, or upon a ny
 preceding Transit or aspects before sci-
 ted, they may be excited or stirred up to
 make any combustion, war, or other
 stratagem for the effecting of any design
 against us, let them I say expect to re-
 ceive a just reward of punishment, either
 by some publique victory over them, or
 just sentence in particular; for such their
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unjust and perfidious practise; for providence hath yet intended, & the Cœlestiall configurations of the Erraticalls, do denote the stability, power, and victory that yet this Nation will enjoy; and obtain, against all publique and private adversaries, though at first or upon the beginning of the influence of this \odot it may be otherwise conceived by many.

These matters are further augmented by Reason \odot about the same time transiting through the Tropicall sign \odot hath a principall respect by such like Criticall passions, to the aforesayd Conjunctions of the superiours and about the 5. or 6. of *Iuly* meets with a \square of h in the exact place of his, viz \odot \odot with v it being in the 8. of that great \odot of h and v 1602. it is probable some Eminent men or man of Ancient progeny may dy about that time; certainly for those considerations aforesayd, we cannot but judge that most principall matters will be acted about these times, the season also considered) of what nature in particular, I leave to time to determine.

But briefly, if we consider further the other Transits and aspects, though not of such principall force as this we last spoke of, yet of such concernment as may well denote

denote the proper times for the effecting of the influence of these δ ; viz. about the latter end of *July*, δ transits the M. C. of the \odot . ingress, and presently meets with \square of \mathcal{V} , viz. his 3^d. access to him by Aspect since his last δ with him; (Let us then observe what actions ensue suddenly after, for the verity of our position, &c.) the sign (although the place be the M. C. of our English Horizon, yet) is the ascendant of *Ireland*, &c. he also meets with his \square with \odot , since his last δ with him, the next δ of \odot and \mathcal{V} happens between the 6th. and 7th. of *Aug.* this year of 59. so that we have no more to say to his preceding Conjunction, according to that forecited Aphorisme, one δ lasts but while another succeeds; about the 21 or 22. of *September* \odot comes by transit to the place of his last δ with δ , and \square to the δ of \mathcal{V} and δ in \ominus , and in the first week of *October* to the place of the δ of \mathcal{H} and δ in \cap , and a little after makes another δ with \mathcal{H} in the beginning of \mathfrak{m} , and behold in the month of *November*, δ having been already in \square with \mathcal{V} as I noted before, now by Retrogradation meets with another \square of the same Planet, then with an δ of \odot both near a most violent fixed star of his

own nature, and the \circ place of the great δ of H and V anno 1603. about which time we cannot but expect as notable Transactions as well here in *England*, as in other parts; the signs having most principal relation to *England*, *France* and *Spain*, in an especiall manner, in all which places we shall hear about those times of principal matters to ensue, amongst which God preserve the City of *London* from insurrections, combustions and fires, &c. and among the rest of those Transactions that may happen, we may well observe those violent and suddain mutations of the aire that shall happen about that time, as storms and tempests, greatly to the prejudice of those who then shall be on the seas, by Shipwracks, &c. for certainly it produceth as great mutations in the aire, as in the affairs of those Kingdoms and Common-wealths as are there by concerned.

The next considerable is that upon the first week of *January* 1659. the Sun again transits the \square place at the Conjunction of H and δ : about the beginning of *February* δ by direction comes to the \square of V near the \circ place of the great δ 1603. as aforesaid, and towards the latter end of the moneth \odot meets with

with his last \square of δ since his last δ , he still in \square the Ascendant of *London*, in the moneth of *April* δ transits the \square place this δ with \odot , and the precise place of his δ with \mathcal{U} , and in *May* the \square place of his δ with \mathcal{H} at the latter end of the moneth, meeting with his last \square with \mathcal{H} , all happening in the signe \mathfrak{D} , the Ascendant of *Scotland* and *Holland*, from whence we may hear of some principal action, &c. whom I may advise to peace, &c. least they deservedly smart for their presumption, lastly in *September*, whilst \odot transits through the sign \mathfrak{D} he hath again those critical respects to all the aforelaid δ , whose influences in all respects will be about that time almost at a period, for at the latter end of *October* 1660. there happens three new Conjunctions of \mathcal{H} and δ , \odot and \mathcal{H} , and δ and \odot , in the viperous, treacherous and deceitfull sign \mathfrak{m} . all near the new Moon and first quarter, of which I have here nothing to say; it being the subject of some other pen, and at some other time.

All those forementioned Transits and Aspects of these Planets (whose several δ as concurring with that of \mathcal{H} and δ , the particular subject of my discourse) do most principally denote the probable times their effects should be manifested,

the which as they may be somewhat in a different manner, from what I have noted, (as it is most difficult, if not impossible to prenote all particular accidents) may better merit our serious observation, than that so certain a prediction should be expected; and if any should object why I observe not the \star or \triangle of these Planets, whereby at or about those times there might be expected a mitigation of the evils portended by their \odot , I answer that as the \odot of H and \odot do generally portend many enormities to ensue, it seems to me most consentaneous to reason the \square and \odot both by Transit and Aspect, should most properly be considered in determinating the times of the manifestation of the Effects: neither can it be that those Aspects should considerably mitigate the more general and forcible portents of a \odot , according to that proposition of the 8th. of *Hermes* his *Centiloque*, an Aspect diminisheth not the signification of a \odot , but a \odot of an Aspect, for a \odot is the more forcible: There also happens 3. Eclipses of the *luminaries* in the year, 1659. viz. 2. of the Moon, and one of the \odot , whose influence and effects cooperate with this Coniunction, \odot and H having chief dominion in the

two lunar, and 3 once in the ☉ Eclipse, whose effects, as they are sufficiently handled by Mr. Lilly in his *Anglicus* for that year, I shall omit my conceptions, and proceed to the next (and last) thing considerable and that is,

The places persons &c. subject to the influence of the Conjunction.

Considerandum signum in quo fuerit Conjunction, necnon & terras & regiones & civitates, quum triplicitate illius signi & illi signo conveniunt vel sub ejusdem signi & ejusdem triplicitatis dominio fuerit, terras & civitates quum signo Conjunctionis assimulantur; Scilicet quod signum Conjunctionis sit ascendens hora Edificationis harum terrarum, & civitatum, vel si ignoretur ascendens Edificationis earum, quod signum Conjunctionis sit medium Cæli in illius regionis nativitate, quod tunc eisdem terris seu regionibus vel civitatibus dominabitur, in quibuscumq; vero terris vel regionibus vel civitatibus dominabitur, hac quæ dixi contingent, seu major pars eorum in eis omnes significationes futuræ illius Conjunctionis eveniunt, max-

ime in illis terris seu regionibus qua signo Conjunctionis assimilantur, in effect thus.

The sign wherein any Conjunction happens is to be considered, & those Regions, or Cities that are under the dominion of the sign & of that triplicity, viz. when the sign of the Conjunction shall be the ascendant or M. C. at the first erecting of those places, Cities, &c. that then the Conjunction shall operate most powerfully in those places subject to that dominion; but more especially to that place that is assimilated to the sign it self;

It is uncertainly known what sign hath dominion in severall places, since it is so difficult, if not impossible to know the foundation of any City, Countrey &c.

Notwithstanding various experiences have manifested some particulars; which only I shall make use of. The sign of the Conjunction it self, and indeed of that of ☉ and of ☿, (which is also concomitant with that of ♀ and ☿, as not finishing its Effects sooner;) and of ☉ and ♀ is ♂, under which is *Austria*, and therein *Vienna*; *Antwerp*, which places must chiefly be sensible of the Effects hereof, viz. Commotions, Wars, Dearth, depopulation, &c. and if ♀ be the ascendant of

of *Paris*, then ☿ being the second from it may well denote great losses to the Citizens and Merchants thereunto belonging; ♀ a sign of the same triplicity, hath signification of the City of *London* especially, and the West parts of *England*; the sign is upon the Cusp of the 6th. at the new Moon subsequent the ☿; and ♀ in a violent sign, ☿ his Lord thus afflicted by ☿ with ♀; *Retrod.* applying to combustion, from whence we may not only fear there will be great sickness, and mortality, with many abortive births in the City of *London*, but also much sorrow, discontent, losses, hardships, with many sudden and unexpected accidents, by fire, tumults, murmurings, &c. (*quod Deus avertat*) ☿ hath signification of some part of *Swethland*, viz. towards the south thereof, which in one sense or other must expect to taste of the Effects hereof; by firing of houses, popular tumults, &c.

We are also advised to consider the Quadrangle to the sign of the ☿, which shall principally share in the Effects; the Quadrangular signes are ♄ ☿ and ♀.

Under ♄ is the Kingdom of *England*, *France*, *Germany*, ☿ that is here one of the planets conjoynded is sole ruler thereof, the

sign wherein he is conjoynd is his fall, every one of which places shall in a most especiall manner be sensible of the Effects hereof, Oh what discontents, complaints, wants, and losses are the people of this and those other Nations subject to; God direct and keep the souldierie from mutinies, from illegall practises, the people from insurrections, murmurings &c. And give us a sence of our sinnes and sufferings. Some difficulties & disturbances will assuredly be manifested, ere the Effects be at a period, many consultations are on foot, very subtile, whole productions will evidence manifest dangers to ensue; but I conclude, thar although δ be thus depressed, viz, many may be the doubts & fears we may be subject to, yet before any matter can come to light, δ gets into his own dignities, providence I hope will discover those pernicious stratagems now on foot, and give timely remedy, &c. δ in all or most of these criticall passions before recited, hath sufficient power and dignity, Almighty God will not suffer us long to be deluded by pretended friendships; or fayr pretences of good &c. when the contrary is really intended.

δ hath Scotland, Holland, Zealand, &c. which

which places are assuredly like to share in the Effects hereof: from the Effects of the δ of δ and Ψ and \odot with Ψ in \ominus we may expect and probably conjecture there would be various consultations among our governours, and commanders in *Scotland*, that might generally be for their benefit and advantage and the publique good of those places and matters wherein they are interested; but from the Effects of these latter Conjunctions, many malevolent spirits are excited that may disturb their peace, and cause some distractions among them, though they suffer themselves.

From the Effects of those former Conjunctions, I conceive also, that the dispositions, and Inclinations of the *Hollander* is exceedingly elevated with pride and Ambition, & thereby may be excited to action, to insult and dominere over their superiours viz. the English and Swede; but from the Effects of these Conjunctions, considered with those preceding, I may assuredly conjecture; that should they in any hostile manner give occasion of controversy or conflict to either, they shall by the hand of an (unjustly) incited & provoked adversary receive just reward for their so presumptuous

tuous practises. And as the sign is generally accounted of the watry Trigon, let all such places as are subject to the dominion of the sign, beware of inundations or overflowings of the waters which in a large measure will be preudicial, of which the Nation & people of *Holland* by Reason of its inferiour (situation,) are most principally concerned, and if the City of *York* be under the dominion hereof, as its generally received, then must they expect also to feel the Effects hereof; in some measure, viz. tumults, seditions, private conspiracies, &c.

Oxford the most famous Vniversity of *Engl.* is received to be under the sign ♊ (whose Ruler, viz. he is here afflicted by ☿ unfortunate,) whose honourable Inhabitants, God preserve from fire, murders, robberies, and all other such inhumane transactions.

Ireland is not so much threatned from the portents of this Conjunction or Conjunctions, for neither is ☿ their Ascendant afflicted, or ♀ Lady thereof, but separating from a ☊ of ♋. Yet do I conceive when ☿ shall transite the sign ☿, viz. *July* and *August*, (wherein he bears some antipathetical respect to the Eclipse of the ☽ in April next,) and meets with a ☐ of ♋ as I have noted to you before,

I say then we may expect to hear of some disturbances, or some cross transactions in that Nation, and the rather for that $\text{\textcircled{S}}$ himself hath principal dominion in the Eclipse; but I doubt not but the quality of those accidents will be more fully amplify'd by such as shall take occasion to speak of those Eclipses in their next years prognosticks, I shall therefore omit them.

In general observe that as this Coniunction, and indeed those others, (which as they are concomitant with, and do correspond and coagitate together, I have taken occasion, as was necessary, to discourse of) happens in the most principal signs, viz. such as are with Astrologians termed *Equinoctial* and *Tropical*, and from whom the several seasons of the year are measured and divided, and consequently all such accidents as are by them signified are more manifested and apparent, so will all those places which have any signification from those signs or parts of the circle, and these Coniunctions therein happening, be the more sensible of its effects, or the effects thereby portended will be the more manifest and apparent, and the rather for that the said Planets do make their critical respects

spects to the places of their Conjunctions in such signes, &c.

In general it is worth the noting as to the particular qualities of the Events in particular places, that as this \odot happens in our 9th. (viz. at the new Moon,) so more especially denoting to us such accidents as are proper to that house, viz. Religion, voyages by Sea, secret plots and conspiracies against Superiours, &c. to those places that lye more to the Eastward from *England*, who have the \odot in their 8th. shall be sensible of the effects more particularly to that house, as mortality by suddain and violent accidents, sicknesses, &c. and those places that lye so far westward, who make the Conjunction in their Meridean, shall likewise be sensible of such accidents as belong there-to, viz. contentions, wars, and death and detriment to Kings, Emperours, &c. the 7th. house denotes wars, combustions to such places as shall be concerned by that position, &c. this I think no vain conception or observation, if well noted in universal Iudgements.

Those persons that shall particularly be subject to the influence of this Conjunction, (or others of what nature soever) are such who have the principal
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(called the *Hylegiacal*) places of their Nativities near the degree of the Coniunction, or in the quadrangular places thereof, for example, he that hath the 3. face of ☿ in his ascendant, or the place of ♃, or of ♀, ☿, ♀, shall undergo some distempers of body, troubles in his affaires, controversies, Law-suits, with some losses in his Estate.

If the same be culminating, viz. the cusp of his M. C. it is preiudiciall to his credit and reputation, and denotes great damages in his profession, with some violent accidents to his body by falls, blows, wounds, &c. the like if it happen near the place of the ☉, who hath principal signification of the particular actions belonging to man: if it so happen near the place of *pars fortunæ*, or in the 2^d. house, &c. which have more particular signification of Riches, and the Goods of fortune; let such expect to receive infinite losses, and undergo great difficulties, wants, &c. according to their severall capacities, hence you may perceive how necessary it is for every one to know the estimate time of birth, and get the same truly rectified by the most demonstrative principles of art thereunto belonging, for from thence is most truly known

known the causes of all mutations, and principall Transactions attending every man &c.

I conclude, with those pithy observations and predictions of Mr. *VVilliam Lilly* in his *Propheticall Merline* Pag. 117. Against the year 58, he proceeds thus; Londoner trade not much Eastward; November produceth ill weather; *Russia* now is not the same.

And against these & thus, some great one deposed, he may be a King, or in danger of losing a Kingdom; sturdy actions in *Germany*; *Ireland* hath no mind to be quiet, do it thou darest.

Now behold who shews himself, he's no fixed star, but a planet.

The West is threatned, the North East is not quiet.

The *Swede* is not Emperour of *Germany*, a new Pope if you will.

All the Merchants in *Europe* lament their losses, now the Nobility and Gentry begin to wrack their Tenents.

Some Iangling with the Clergy, a new found Doctrine deludes many, beware of *Cancer*; a bonny Scot acts his part.

Feavers Plurishes, ill Markets and heavy Taxes makes *London* male-content.

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These are the observations of that worthy man, whose profound Judgment in the more secret sublimities of these sciences, posterity will admire.

Thus have I as briefly as I could (most Courteous Reader) communicated these my weak and slender Indeavours; to thy Courteous censure; be pleased to accept well what is good, pass by what is amiss, in the whole, excuse my imperfections; and when providence shall give me fit opportunity, and better inable me, I shall, God willing, gratefully require you, with what may be more worthy your acception.

FINIS.